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City To Ask Exemption Of Police And Fire Members

Council To Ask For Sales Tax Funds For City

Immediate steps will be taken by City Manager George N. Schoonmaker and Safety Director Edward DeAngelo to have draft boards exempt members of the police and fire departments from military service due to the severe curtailment of these services by the draft, and the difficulty of securing adequate replacements.

City Manager Schoonmaker told members of city council at their meeting last Monday morning that the situation was becoming extremely serious and that if additional men are taken from the safety division this city's protection would be cut by 50 per cent.

Mr. Schoonmaker stated that it was "difficult, almost impossible to find replacements for those in the armed services," and he said that to further deplete the two departments would be to put Toledo in an extremely hazardous position.

To Take Immediate Action

Council authorized the city manager and safety director to do all they could to ease the situation, with Councilman Tom Burke suggesting that they contact the state board first.

Approximately 15 additional more members of the police and fire departments are scheduled to enter service within the next week or 10 days.

Efforts are now being made by Councilman Ira Bame to [illegible] the members of the fire department put in extra hours [illegible] the department with extra pay due to the manpower shortage. Several serious fires in recent weeks illustrate the grave danger that exists in this city as a result of the manpower shortage in the fire department which will become increasingly more severe as more firemen are called into the armed forces.

Wants Better Traction Service

Councilman Ira Bame presented a resolution calling for improved bus and street car schedules. He stated that the cars and buses had been running two and three at a time and that as a result, the service was bad. He said he wanted to see a schedule worked out so that those who use the public transportation service would have some idea of the time they could catch buses or street cars. The reslution was referred to the committee of the whole.

When a resolution was introduced to permit the transfer of balances in certain funds, (notably the food stamp rotating fund), back to the general fund,

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Workers Suspect Company

Workers of the Toledo Scale Co. are suspicious of the company management and sharply critical in the matter of machinery for machining scale parts which are now being sent out for special operations.

Workers who are critical are pointing out that the company claims it does not have the finances necessary to purchase new machinery; yet spends large sums of money to plant and maintain an extensive lawn around the Telegraph Rd. plant.

Those who are wondering about the company policy believe that the management has some plans for its Defiance plant whereby much of the work of the Toledo plant would be transferred there because of the lower cost of labor and the possibility of accumulating more profits. Employes of Dept. 21 are worried lest they become the victims of another box factory deal in which the company sold its local box factory because it believed its production was costing too much money.

Union Is Powerless

Nothing is being done by the Scale Workers of Ohio, so-called independent union, to protect the workers from company plans to sabotage the company employes' jobs. All that union officials say is "What can we do about it?"

Critics are pointing out that the Scale management is willing to pay higher production costs rather than deal with a union which has some backbone. The union does not oppose company efforts to sacrifice the workers in the interests of an anti-union policy which has created a company-dominated union, and is now seeking to perpetuate it by subtle threats and scare rumors circulated throughout the shop by company stooges.

The answer to the company's attempt to intimidate the workers is an increasingly larger number joining the UAW-CIO. Growth of the CIO is not spectacular, but slow and sure. As one of the workers at the plant expressed it, "They can't fool us twice, especially now that we are able to see what a spineless crew now are in charge of the Scale Workers Union."

Cops Join Union

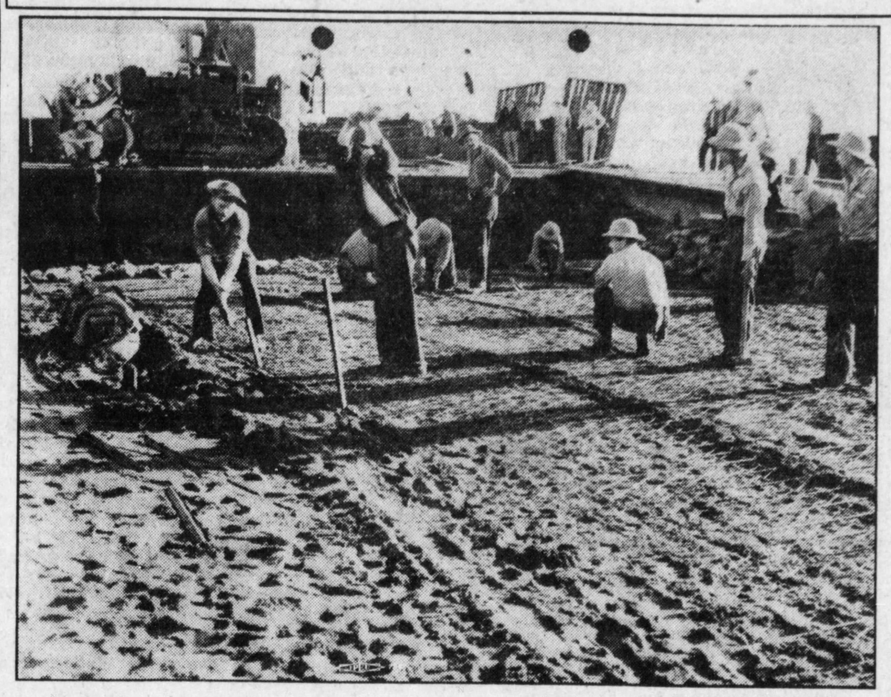
SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (FP)—Springfield becomes the first midwest city with union policemen when 72 members of the police department organized a union and applied to the AFL for a charter.

Name Trustees To Italy Relief Group

WASHINGTON (FP) — Appointment of a temporary board of trustees for American Relief to Italy was announced here by Joseph E. Davies, chairman of the President's War Relief Control Board.

Serving as trustees with Davies will be Myron Taylor, American representative to the Vatican; Arturo Toscanini, noted conductor; Dr. Angelo Patri, educator; Don Ameche, movie star, and Maj. Gen. John H. Hilldring, in charge of the civil affairs division of the U. S. Army.

Building With The Seabees



Official U. S. Navy Photograph

At an unidentified island in the Southwest Pacific. Steel wire mesh gives the necessary stability to a road across sand beaches.

Hillman Challenges Rep. Dies

NEW YORK, Feb. 19, (FP)—Chairman Sidney Hillman of the CIO Political Action Committee Feb. 18 challenged the right of the Dies committee to investigate it and announced that he had refused to submit the committee's books to Dies agents.

This action followed by one day the visit of a Dies investigator to the Amalgamated Bank here, where committee funds are deposited, with an order that its records be thrown open for inspection.

Would Welcome Investigation

Hillman pointed out that his commitee would welcome an investigation of its activities by U. S. Atty. Gen. Francis Biddle and had already opened its books to the FBI. He said that the attorney general and the FBI are cloaked with appropriate powers and the CIO committee would welcome investigation by a congressional committee similarly empowered.

Rep. Martin Dies, Hillman declared, has the right under the resolution creating his committee to investigate subversive and un-American activities, but has no power or authority to examine the work of the political action committee, "which is directed to registration of voters and a political program including full employment and cooperation among the United Nations during the postwar period."

Hillman rejected as impertinent any expressed charge that urging Americans to register and vote and to participate in the public life of the nation is "subversive and un-American."

WLB Promotes Gill & Bullen

CLEVELAND, Feb. 16.—Advancement of Lewis M. Gill, chairman of the Fifth Regional War Labor Board, to alternate public member of the National War Labor Board and the appointment of Frederick H. Bullen as his successor in Cleveland were announced this week. Mr. Gill's appointment was made by President Roosevelt and was announced at the White House.

Mr. Bullen was director of the disputes division of the Cleveland Regional WLB until he went to Washington last January 1 as deputy executive director of the National Board.

Only 32 years old, Mr. Gill will be the youngest member of the National War Labor Board and is probably the youngest man selected by President Roosevelt to fill a Washington position of such importance.

He has run the Cleveland office since November, 1942, when it was established, and has been chairman of the Regional Board since it was set up on February 13, 1943.

Mr. Bullen was director of the disputes division of the Regional WLB from the time the Cleveland board was established until he went to Washington last month. He previously had been a senior mediation officer of the WLB assigned to the Cleveland area.

Mae Ballard Heads Office Workers

Mae Ballard, employed as secretary in the International UAW-CIO office of Regional Director Richard Gosser, was elected president of Local 29, United Office and Professional Workers-CIO at its annual election of officers February 17.

Others elected were, financial secretary, Marian Carrel; recording secretary, Florence Ordway; sergeant-at-arms, Marvel Bryan; trustee, Irene Mahoney.

Miss Bryan was inducted into the Marine Corps on February 7 and is expecting to leave for preliminary training the latter part of March.

Support was voted the Toledo Industrial Union Council in its efforts to secure a War Labor Board panel for Toledo, and to give the soldiers the right to vote.

Fur Workers To Appeal Wage Demand

NEW YORK (FP)—The International Fur and Leather Workers Union (CIO) will submit to the National War Labor Board its demand for 10c hourly wage increases for 15,000 fur workers in New York, Pres. Ben Gold said.

He accused the Associated Fur Coat and Trimming Manufacturers Association of taking advantage of the union's no-strike pledge in rejecting its demands.

MESA Planning More Strikes

Spicer Workers Return

Workers of the Spicer forge shop, idle since Feb. 4, returned to work Feb. 21 and caught the company with its hammers down and no roof over its head.

When employes of the forge shop returned to their jobs, they discovered the company was raising the roof to 14 feet and part had been removed to make room for two new hammers which were being installed. The place was overrun with Bentley Co. workers.

Spicer Co. management, in order to hasten the construction job, asked the forgemen to work as laborers. This request was refused by the union on the grounds that the workers were employed specifically for the forge shop and that to permit them to work on the construction job could easily lead to a jurisdictional row with the AFL in charge of the construction workers. The War Labor Board agreed with the union's position and the men did not carry out the company's request.

Work on Hammer

As a result of the union's decision, the men worked on dies and readied their hammers for resumption of production. First hammers got under way about 9:00 a.m. and by noon the balance were in operation. Production has since returned to normal.

Original walkout of the forge shop workers came Feb. 4, when they were unable to agree with the management on wage grievances.

Local Not Informed

Existence of the walkout was not made known to officials of Local 12 until Feb. 14, when President Melvin Schultz was informed of the work stoppage.

Immediate steps were instituted by President Schultz to return the men to their work. Robert Stuart, representing the United States Concilliation Service, was called in by the Army and conferred with the union and management on Feb. 15, and Local 12 officials instructed the men to return to their jobs.

An extra issue was added when forge shop employes demanded the removal of two forge shop officials, and were refused by the company. This obstructed settlement of the issue until Feb. 20, when the men were ordered to return to their work by Tom Burke, vice president of Local 12, and Carl Schick, chairman of the Spicer Unit. Members of the bargaining committee advised the men to carry out the order and the trouble was settled so far as resumption of work was concerned.

Certified to WLB

The wage grievance which was the original cause of the work stoppage has been certified to the Regional WLB. About 165 workers were involved. The Spicer Mfg. Co. employes in excess of 5000 workers.

Action To Follow NLRB Decision In Willys Case

Evidence that the MESA is maintaining its workers in local war industries on a temporary basis and intends calling additional strikes if the National Labor Relations Board orders an election as requested by Local 12, UAW-CIO, in departments formerly controlled by the MESA in the Willys-Overland plant, has been presented by reliable authority to this paper.

MESA officials lend credence to the story by their action in sending their members back to work under pressure from the War Labor Board and intimating very strongly that the strike would be resumed whenever they felt they were being "discriminated" against by the NLRB.

Resentment Is Mounting

Resentment of even the most loyal MESA members against their organization is mounting since last week, when one of the departments still nominally under MESA control was compelled to lay off 30 workers. Instead of laying off the workers according to their seniority, the MESA asked for volunteers to take the layoffs, which not only meant loss of jobs for the volunteers, but loss of seniority.

About 15 members "volunteered" and accepted their releases from the company in order to show their loyalty to the MESA, which did not even attempt to protect the workers' seniority rights.

One MESA worker of long standing, employed at Willys-Overland, was bitter in his denunciation of his organization. He said, "What good is a union if it can't protect the workers' jobs? No matter what the MESA accuses the CIO of doing, it can't accuse them of asking for volunteers to take a layoff and lose both their jobs and seniority. With the MESA it looks like the organization must be protected by its members instead of the other way around."

Wait NLRB Order

MESA workers in the Willys-Overland are talking among themselves and to members of the UAW-CIO. They are saying that the MESA is merely marking time waiting to see what the NLRB is going to do in the matter of the UAW-CIO application to represent the workers in departments which have been under control of the MESA.

According to the MESA workers, their organizations is going to order them out of the plant on another strike the minute the directive comes through, if the NLRB orders an election.

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Local 12 Election Is Scheduled

Annual election of Local 12 officers will take place at Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St., Friday and Saturday, Feb. 25 and 26. Hours for voting will be Friday, 9 a. m. to 8:30 p. m.; Saturday, 9 a. m. to 2:30 p. m.

Only contested officers are those of recording secretary and guide. Nominees for recording secretary are Richard Meyers, Willys-Overland, and Paul Hecklinger, Hall Mfg. Nominees for guide are Howard Cutcher, Auto-Lite; Gerald Biddle, Gordon, and William Joy, Fort Pitt.

Most Are Unopposed

Unopposed for office are Melvin Schultz, president; Tom Burke, vice-president; Norman Meyers, treasurer; Randolph Gray, financial secretary; John Kiplinger and Heinze Szeve, trustees; William Weston, parliamentarian; Ernest Kubacki and Alex Stefan, board members-at-large; Melvin Griffin and Lloyd Speidell, sergeants-at-arms.

Highest number of votes for guide will be elected to the office, next highest will be assists. In the trustees election the one who receives the highest number of votes will be elected to a three-year term, second high to a one-year term.

All officers elected will be inducted into office at the first Local 12 meeting March 10.

Want Their Jimcrow Laws

JACKSON, Miss. (FP)—Taking a page from Hitler's book, the Mississippi senate passed a bill to put teeth into the present Jimcrow law by fixing a penalty of $50 on common carriers for failure to keep white and Negro passengers sharply segregated. The vote was 36 to 2. The house of representatives is expected to pass the bill.

A special provision makes the Jimcrow law apply also to standing room.

Steel Products Workers Get NAM Pep Talk

Plans made by the National Association of Manufacturers during its recent New York convention to propagandize the workers came to life in Toledo last week when Dr. Allen Stockdale, former Toledo minister now employed by the NAM as a professional propagandist, spoke to the workers of the Toledo Steel Products Co., under auspices of the NAM.

More than 40 minutes of valuable production time was taken up by the speaker, who urged the workers to stick to their jobs and produce more for the war effort. He spoke to first shift workers at 11:00 a.m. and second shift workers at 8:00 p.m. February 18 at the Summit street plant.

Demonstrating his ability as an orator Dr. Stockdale went from humor to pathos, and when he referred to "the blue birds over the white cliffs of Dover" he lowered his head and his voice in an emotional appeal which has moved vast Toledo congregations to tears, but which left the workers silent and unmoved.

Using the technic employed by the labor-hating Rev. Gerald L. K. Smith in swaying audiences, Dr. Stockdale told his listeners when to applaud. When he refered to "the soldiers", he would cry out, "give them a big hand!" At one point he made reference to the large number of women employed in industry, and told the Steel Products workers that 26 per cent of the employes in their plant were women, and said, "give the women a great big hand".

Applause Is Polite

The speaker said that the workers had done a mighty job of producing the equipment and materials of war, and said "production has reached miraculous heights"; but he called for greater production. He was strangely silent about that part played by management other than a reference to Frederick C. Crawford.

When the talk was over, the workers silently drifted away to resume their work, after having listened to the "inspirational" harangue for slightly more than 40 minutes.

Dr. Stockdale's talk at the Toledo Steel Products was his 112th delivered in war plants. He is touring the country under the auspices of the National Information Committee, which is the public relations representative of the NAM.

As former pastor of the First Congregational Church of Toledo, Dr. Stockdale is well known in this city. He was severely criticized in 1919 when he attacked the strikers at Willys-Overland and was quoted in the Toledo Blade of June 19, 1919, for his remarks relative to the Overland labor trouble. He said, "a man cannot be allowed to spread doctrines that are detrimental to our institutions as smallpox and typhoid germs to health".

Dr. Stockdale at the same time came up with the remark about the strikers, "sometimes the philosophy of machine guns is necessary to settle disturbances."

At the present time, Dr. Stockdale is devoting his entire time to working for the NAM public relations department, touring throughout the country urging the workers to greater production for their employers. He is slated to return to Toledo at a later date to talk to the employes of the American Can Co.

Subsidy Program Saved As House Sustains Veto

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19, (FP)—Warning that it "would destroy the stabilization program," President Roosevelt Feb. 18 vetoed the Commodity Corp. anti-subsidy bill. His action was swiftly upheld in the house by a vote of 151 to 226.

Both moves saved for the moment the administration's billion dollar consumer subsidy program, which had been ordered scrapped by June 30 in a rider attached to the bill extending the life of CCC. The veto, urged by organized labor, consumer, veterans and farm groups, came less than 24 hours after the bill, passed by large majorities in both houses, reached the President's desk.

In his brief, sharply worded veto message, Roosevelt recalled the words of his July 22 message, vetoing a similar bill. "This bill, like that bill," he said, "is an inflation measure, a high cost of living measure, a food shortage measure."

No Aid to Farmers

"While increasing the cost of living the prohibition of consumers subsidies will not add one dollar to the income of the farmers," he declared. Roosevelt pointed out that no major country at war today has been able to stabilize the cost of living without using subsidies.

"It is clear," he continued, "that we cannot hold the wage line if the congress deprives us of the means necessary to hold the cost of living line . . . If the wage line breaks—and I do not see how it can be held if this becomes law—not only will food costs rise still further, but all other costs will rise—including the cost of all munitions and supplies for the Army and Navy by many billions.

"The weight of the increased burden will fall on all of us, but most of all on the unorganized workers and others who live on small and relatively fixed incomes, among whom are most of the dependents of our fighting men.

"The bill presented to me would destroy the stabilization program. I cannot accept responsibility for its disastrous consequences. I hope the congress will not compel these consequences."

Asks CCC Extension

Roosevelt's message appealed for quick extension of the life of CCC, which lapsed February 17. The long delay in continuing CCC's lending authority was interfering with the agriculture program since farmers are reluctant to make plans for planting of crops until they know the support prices on which they can rely he said.

While administration supporters were jubilant over their victory, farm bloc spokesmen served immediate notice that they would attach anti-subsidy provisions to the bill extending the life of OPA, which expires June 30, indicating that congress, which has already witnessed two major battles on subsidies, is in for a third.

UAW Wins Fostoria NLRB Election

Culmination of the organization drive on Fostoria Spark Plug Division of the Electric Auto-Lite Co. which has been going on since last June ended in victory for the UAW-CIO, in a NLRB election held at the plant Feb. 17.

With 83 per cent of the total vote cast, the UAW swept all opposition before it in an outpouring of votes which was one of the greatest ever staged in region 2-B. Total vote for the UAW-CIO was— 650, AFL — 111 and No Union 28. Out of a total of 926 eligible voters, 811 voted. There were 22 challenged votes and seven voided.

Brown Pleased With Results

Ralph Brown, assistant director in charge of all Auto-Lite shops announced that contract negotiations would be opened with the company management as soon as the people employed [illegible] the plant approve its terms [illegible] Brown expressed himself as being well pleased with the results of the election. "The result far surpassed our fondest expectations and indicate that the majority of the people want a strong union to represent them," he said.

Assisting in the drive were Orville Beemer, John Burke and Dorsey Carr from the staff of Regional Director Richard Gosser, Toledo. Assisting the drive as a local organizer was Claude Snavely from the Seneca Wire Mill, Local 775, UAW-CIO.

Overcomes Independent Union

The organizational drive which began last June overcame an independent union in the plant, and swung over the AFL several months after the start of the drive.

Regional Director Richard Gosser, of Toledo, director of all Auto-Lite Units in the Intra-corporation Council, when informed of the outcome of the election said, "this is the second plant of the Auto-Lite to come under UAW-CIO representation in a matter of a few months. It marks another step in our program to complete the organization of the Auto-Lite Corporation under a national agreement."

The other plant to come under the UAW-CIO was the Sarnia, Ont. Canada plant of the Auto-Lite.

As soon as application can be approved a charter will be granted to the new Fostoria union.

Toledo High In WLB Cases

CLEVELAND, Feb. 16.—Cleveland, with 176 cases, led all other cities in Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia in the number of labor disputes certified to the Fifth Regional War Labor Board during the first year of the board's operation, it was announced today by Chairman Frederick H. Bullen. Toledo was next with 105 cases.

The tripartite board, a counterpart of the National WLB, held its first meeting on February 13, 1943, with Lewis M. Gill, new alternate public member of the National Board, as chairman.

Pointing to the heavy case load of the Regional Board, Chairman Bullen urged management and labor to assist in reducing the load by reaching more agreements, at least on the minor issues, without assistance from the War Labor Board and by including in their contracts provisions for arbitration of disputes arising over interpretation of the contracts.

POLITICAL MEETING

Members of Labor's Political Activity Committee executive board will hold a meeting at Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St., Feb. 29, in Parlor I, beginning at 8 p. m. All members of the board are urged to attend this important meeting.

Jones Employes Ask WLB Action

Members of the S. M. Jones Unit of Local 12, UAW-CIO, have petitioned the Regional War Labor Board for action on their case which has been pending before the board since December, 1942.

Members of the Unit say that they do not want to take any drastic action because it is their feeling that nothing can be gained by such methods, yet, they point out that their case has been dragging for 15 months, which establishes a new record for trying the patience of the workers.

Joseph Kolodziake, chairman of the Unit, said, "we certainly can't be accused of being impatient after all these months, but we very definitely have a limit to what we can take. We want our case settled, or some definite promise from the War Labor Board as to when we can expect final directives clearing up all points in dispute."

Wallace Says People Back 4th Term

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19, (FP)—Reporting strong fourth term sentiment among the people, Vice-President Henry Wallace Feb. 17 said President Roosevelt would be at a great disadvantage in the 1944 elections if a federal ballot for servicemen is defeated.

Freshly returned from a speaking tour of midwest and west coast states, Wallace told reporters he based his observations on talks he had with civilians and soldiers on trains during his trip. Soldiers are behind Roosevelt for a fourth term, strictly from the military viewpoint of winning the war, he said. Soldier vote legislation was still deadlocked in conference Feb. 17, with no immediate solution in sight.

Repeating a widely-publicized statement made during his trip, Wallace said he was certain the President would be reelected in 1944, but he did not know whether the Presiddent had decided to run.

As for his own candidacy, the vice-president insisted that was in the lap of the gods and the future.

McCormick Is Fascist

Asked to name some of the American fascists he had accused in one of his speeches of working against victory, Wallace said, "I think Col. McCormick (Chicago Tribune publisher) is enough for the moment." The vice-president said he was considering writing an article for the N. Y. Times naming the fascists he had in mind. The Times took editorial objection to Wallace's use of the word "fascist," which he defined as a man who put dollars first and mankind second.

Roosevelt is the only possible Democratic candidate for 1944, Wallace said, asserting that the needs of the war effort demand his re-election. The middlewest remains the most difficult part of the country for the President, he admitted, but said the situation in Illinois—cradle of the Chicago Tribune—is improving.

Wallace condemned efforts to ascribe widespread antilabor sentiment to members of the armed forces. "They are out of patience with strikes," he said, "but they are definitely not against labor. As a matter of fact, a very high percentage are workingmen themselves or sons of workingmen."

He refused to comment directly on a statement that the administration is losing favor with organized labor, but referred instead to a meeting he had with a joint AFL-CIO railroad brotherhoods committee in Wisconsin, which revealed a strong feeling for the President.

Throughout his tour, he said, he found a great increase in liberal sentiment and a "very fine attitude" on the war. He praised the Farmer-Labor and Democratic parties in Minnesota for making common cause behind the liberal banner.

WPB To Consult With Labor On Cutbacks

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23, (FP)—Labor will be given an equal voice with industry in pending production readjustments, War Production Board Chairman Donald M. Nelson told a meeting of top AFL and CIO leaders.

Similar assurance were given to a group of leading industrialists who met with Nelson two weeks previously to discuss production problems.

Nelson cautioned against interpreting expected cutbacks in some aspects of munitions production as an indication of lessening tension in the war effort. While 1944 will see some major shifts in production emphasis due to the changing demands of the fighting forces, the overall magnitude of the munitions program is scheduled to remain at about the present level, he said.

"In spite of all the talk about reconversion there is little of it actually in the cards until after Germany has been defeated," he said. "The most critical period of the war from the military standpoint, still lies ahead. It would be a catastrophe if we should mislead ourselves into slackening our efforts just at the time when the best that we have in us is critically needed."

Ship Whitefish Eggs To South America

COLUMBUS, Feb. 22.—Lake Erie's famed whitefish have been introduced in South America, Conservation Commissioner Don Waters stated today, reporting that the Ohio Division of Conservation and Natural Resources has received word that a small shipment of whitefish eggs from the State Fish Hatchery at Put-in-Bay has arrived safely in Peru.

Another courtesy shipment was made to the state of New Hampshire.

Dr. T. H. Langlois, chief of the division's fish management section, made the arrangements for the "planting" of whitefish eggs in Peru, shipping them by air.

FEPC Closed 989 Cases In 6 Months

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 (FP)—The President's Committee on Fair Employment Practice closed 989 cases during the last six months of 1943, involving charges of job discrimination because of race, creed, color or national origin.

The same period saw a progressively mounting number of new cases, averaging more than 300 a month, which left the committee with 1857 cases at the beginning of 1944, FEPC Chairman Malcolm Ross reported. Of the cases closed, 359 were adjustments in compliance with executive order 9346, banning job discrimination. The remaining cases were dismissed by the committee or withdrawn by the complainant.

Negroes Involved

The 716 cases involving discrimination because of race, mostly Negroes, formed the largest section among the 989 cases. Discrimination because of creed, mostly Jewish, arose in 127 cases, alienage was involved in 102 cases and national origin in 44 cases.

Among the cases closed, war industries accounted for a total of 692 complaints of discrimination, government, 288, and unions, 9.

Ross submitted his report to a joint meeting of FEPC members and its 9 regional directors, assembled in Washington for the first time to discuss committee problems.

Majority of FEPC cases are settled in the field, through cooperation of War Manpower Commission regional officials and through information negotiations between FEPC field officers and those against whom complaints are lodged, Ross said.

New Library Books at Local 12

Many new books are being added to the Local 12 library, according to Floyd Brimacombe, library director. Best of the new numbers are "The Stolen Squadron," by Leonard; "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn," by Smith; "Under Cover," by Carlson, and "The Trespasser," by Hobson.

Particularly recommended is "Under Cover," the book written by a newspaper man which Publisher Gannett sought to stop from sale in the book stores of the country under threat of reprisals. The book outlines a listing of native American fascists and presents some factual writing which is of particular interest to the workers.

"A Tree Grows In Brooklyn" is more interesting than the title sounds. Betty Smith takes off the gloves and writes frankly about life in such a way that you don't want to put the book down until you are finished with it.

Tell Labor's War Record—CIO

NEW YORK (FP)—The CIO War Relief Committee appealed to the War Department to open up channels for acquainting members of the armed services with labor's war record. In a letter to Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson, Chairman Irving Abramson said:

"It has become increasingly evident that information reaching our armed forces concerning the efforts of American workers is contrary to established fact. Strikes involving small numbers of workers are broadcast and printed in great detail, although official statistics prove labor's excellent record of working attendance to be better than 99%."

Abramson suggested that men and women in the armed forces be told of the no-strike pledge, labor production record, blood donations, war bond purchases and contributions to the Red Cross.

Big Business Isn't Class Conscious?

CHICAGO (FP) — America's most important problem is the threat of "as chaotic and embittered a class struggle between capital and labor as we have ever faced," according to Henry R. Heimann of the National Association of Credit Men.

The struggle can be averted, he said, if labor will back down on wage increases, cost of living and maintenance of membership.

Warm Underwear and Hose

Direct From Mill 317 Huron

MESA Is Planning More Strikes

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Opportunity given the NLRB to intervene in the NLRB hearing held here Feb. 4 was turned down by the MESA, which protested that the NLRB was prejudiced against their organization and favored the UAW-CIO.

Immediately following the refual of the MESA to take part in the NLRB representation hearing requested by Local 12, UAW-CIO, the MESA called all its employes in Toledo, Detroit and Cleveland out on strike in protest against the alleged unfairness of the NLRB.

CIO Is Growing

UAW-CIO officials say that the MESA is driving its members into their organization by the action taken Feb. 4, when the MESA ordered a strike, by the failure of that union to protect the seniority of its members, by its threat to resort to the strike against the NLRB, and its defiance of the National War Labor Board.

MESA workers are frankly disgusted with their organization's use of the strike in attempting to settle jurisdictional differences. One worker in the Willys plant, under MESA, stated the case: "We are just as anxious to win this war as anyone else, but what can we do when our organization orders us out of the plant? We ourselves believe that the CIO is right in giving up the use of the strike for the duration, and we certainly see no reason why we should penalize the war effort because our leaders don't know anything else to do but strike."

Members of the MESA joining the UAW-CIO leads organizers for the Auto Workers to believe that the MESA will suffer a crushing defeat when the NLRB orders the election as a result of its Feb. 4 hearing.

Congressmen Aid Producers

Whose bidding is your Congressman doing? Observers are reporting that the vast majority of requests which congressmen are making to the Office of Price Administration are for price increases.

This is strange behavior for persons elected to serve the public interest. Nothing seems to be forgotten — price boosts are asked for textiles, foods of all kinds, restaurants meals, tires, automobiles, lumber, etc.

It is not necessarily true that these Congressmen are flaunting the pleas of consumers and opponents of inflation, much as any public servant **should** be expected to act voluntarily on behalf of the consuming public. The truth seems to be that those who need protection from further inflation are **not writing** to Congress to a volume sufficient to impress their representatives.

Growers' Association write, milk producers write, enemies of rent control write. If any of these groups deserve more money, they should have it by means of an intelligently applied subsidy, and not by blowing the roof of prices.

Why not let "your" Congressman hear from **you?** You might be surprised how much good it will do. Demand rent control, food price roll-backs, and an all-out offensive against inflation.

Steelworkers Propose Postwar Employment Fund

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 19 (FP)—For the benefit of steelworkers returning from the armed forces, the United Steelworkers (CIO) proposed to set up a fund of $28 million, the money to come half from wage increases the union is now seeking and half from the steel companies.

Under the plan each steel worker would contribute $20 out of increases approved by the National War Labor Board, and each steel company would match the amount.

Payment would be made from the joint fund to each steel worker, on the basis of the length of his service at the time of his honorable discharge, or to his dependents if he dies. The fund would be administered by representatives of the union and of the steel corporations. More than 200,000 steel workers are now in the armed services.

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WHO'S WHO IN LOCAL 12

Heinz Szeve

Heinz Szeve, known to his fellow workers and many friends in Local 12 as "Heine," is one of Local 12's up and coming young leaders. Honest, sincere and courageous, "Heine" is the type of man's man who is admired for his qualities which are real.

There is no swagger in Heinz Szeve's nature. He is a real, honest to goodness regular fellow and he grows on you with acquaintance. The longer you know "Heine" the more you admire him.

"Heine" has been a member of Local 12 since 1941, when his shop, the Rathbun Jones Engineering Co., left the MESA and elected to become a unit of Local 12. He was active in the UAW organizational work in his own plant and is now serving his second year as chairman of his own unit.

He is serving his first year on the Local 12 executive board and is a candidate for trustee in the election which will be held February 25 and 26 at Local 12 headquarters.

"Heine" is a family man and has two children, Jeanette, 10, and Ronald, 7 months old. He lives at 1313 South Hawley.

War Chest Reports Budget Hearings

The local health and welfare agencies affiliated with the Greater Toledo Community War Chest have just completed a series of budget hearings in the Chest office. Agency executives and board members appeared before the Chest budget committee to explain their budget requests for 1944. Howard Rediger is the CIO member of the budget committee.

In most instances increased requests were made by these organizations, which cited the need for larger salaries as well as the actual increase in operating costs as the main reasons for requesting larger allocations from Chest funds. Many of the agencies are expanding their programs to meet the continued war time needs, it was explained.

The budget committee will present its recommendations for 1944 allotments to the Chest board of directors at a meeting to be held February 23. Final approval of the allocation of funds rests with the board.

Board members include. William E. Wright, president; Howard P. DeVilbiss and George P. MacNichol, Jr., vice presidents; William F. Broer, treasurer, and Frank H. Adams, Bishop Karl J. Alter, Geoffrey R. Bennett, Alfred H. Billstein, William M. Booker, Ralph E. Carpenter, Mrs. Walter A. Eversman, Frank Fischer, Richard R. Johnston, Mrs. William E. Lewis, James E. Martin, the Rev. S. C. Michelfelder, John B. O'Shea, Carroll L. Proctor, John T. Rohr, Ceilan H. Rorick, Edmund Ruffin, Mr. Sanger, Mrs. James J. Secor, Dr. Lewis F. Smead and Mrs. Sinclair Walbridge.

Maybe The Boss Will Pour

PHILADELPHIA (FP)—Four o'clock tea is now official for employes of the U. S. Metallic Packing Co. here. The Regional War Labor Board approved a 4 p. m. rest period provision in the contract of Local 155, United Electric Radio and Machine Workers (CIO).

Of course if the employes prefer coffee or ginger ale, that's OK too.

Co-ops Show Growth

Wholesale houses owned by consumer cooperatives distributed $122,253,143 worth of goods in 1943, a gain of 16.8% over 1942. In the past five years, volume has multiplied 2½ times.

The economies of cooperative enterprise were dramatically shown by Midland Co-op Wholesale of Minneapolis and Milwaukee, which while increasing its volume of sales 27%, was able to boost earnings 145% over 1942.

Part of the earnings increase enjoyed by several wholesalers was due to recent purchases of such productive facilities as oil refineries and wells, farm machinery factories, etc., numbering nearly 100 by the close of the year. These enterprises supply the co-ops with goods, and rebate their "profits" as savings back through the organizations to the consumers, whose purchases form the basis for the whole system.

Midland-affiliated consumers are better off by $367,501 at the wholesale level alone, for having patronized their own co-ops.

When goods are ordered from private manufacturers, pooling of orders permits the buyers to demand certain levels of quality. These are then indicated on the co-op labels which are applied. Thus the consumer is protected against deception and shoddy goods.

Several locals of the UAW-CIO have undertaken to launch consumer co-ops. There is a proper form of co-op organization for securing almost any goods or service. Information and guidanee in organizing co-ops may be secured through the UAW-CIO Consumer Division, 411 West Milwaukee, Detroit 2, Michigan.

Navy Conducts Open House

The U. S. Navy Recruiting Station on Feb. 15, 1943, inaugurated a series of WAVES Open House Meetings which have been very well attended by eligible young women interested in the WAVES program and their parents and friends.

These meetings have afforded those in attendance an excellent opportunity to obtain first-hand information about Navy ships and aircraft, Navy customs and traditions, courts and boards, and Navy life in general.

Programs from week to week have been highlighted with talks by prominent speakers and outstanding current Navy sound movies.

The WAVES Open House Meetings are held each Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. at the U. S. Navy Recruiting Station, located at 715 Adams street, Toledo, Ohio.

The citizens of Toledo and surrounding territory are cordially invited to attend these meetings, particularly young women, their parents and girl friends who are interested in the WAVES program.

Wallace Warns Of Postwar Monopolies

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 19. (FP)—Government owned war plants may be gobbled up by monopoly interests after the war and withheld from production, Vice. Pres. Henry A. Wallace warned here.

"War plants that have been built in the west and south," he said, "must be kept in full production. Their production will be required to create the living standard which Americans must have after the war. I propose that instead of selling these plants, the government lease them on terms which will assure their continued independent operation."

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City To Ask For Exemptions

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there was considerable discussion about city finances. There was some question about whether the committee of council which was to visit Governor John Bricker should still go and see him since the city was able to recover approximately $148,000 for its general fund.

It was the concensus of the council, particularly stressed by vice-mayor Michael DiSalle, that the committee still see the governor and ask him to put the case of Toledo finances on the call which he has said he would send out to reconvene the state legislature in special session to consider legislation relative to the soldiers vote.

Most of the members of council seemed to believe that Toledo should receive a larger portion of the sales tax than it has been getting, a feeling which is strengthened because of the more than 78 million dollar surplus which is lying idle in the state treasury.

Final decision of council was that the committee should go and see Governor Bricker and lay the case of the city before him and plead with him to make some of the surplus sales tax funds available for the use of the city.

Ordinances Passed

Following legislation was passed:

Ordinance to settle the claim of the Raymond Scrap Iron and Metal Co. in the sum of $400.

An ordinace authorizing the city manager to install flashing signals at 116th and 124th and Summit St.s

Ordinance granting use of the civic auditorium to the Boy Scouts without charge, April 28, 29 and 30.

Complains About Jeeps

Councilman Ralph Millard said he had received many complaints about the manner in which jeeps were being tested in the vicinity of Whittier School in West Toledo. He said that they were driving 40 and 45 miles and hour on Lewis Ave. and that they either failed to stop at all, or "stopped on a dime". The complaint was refered to the traffic department with instructions to contact the Army Ordinance department and the Willys-Overland Co. who employ the test drivers.

A letter was presented from the Central Labor Union asking a blanket increase of $25 per month for all city employes and was refered to the committee of the whole.

WLB Head Says Formula Is Outmoded

CHICAGO (FP) — The Little Steel formula is outmoded, Edgar L. Warren, new Regional War Labor Board chairman, told Federated Press.

The cost of living, even according to government figures, has gone up 23%, he said, while the wage formula holds increases down to 15%. He noted the AFL-CIO survey showing an increase of 43% in living costs since January, 1941.

"As it is now, something has to give way somewhere," Warren said.

Co. Union Gets Slapped

BAYONNE, N. J. (FP)—Refusal to give a no-strike pledge cost the company union at the big Tidewater Associated Oil Co. refinery here a maintenance of membership provision from the Regional War Labor Board.

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Let Congress Know

Organized labor is letting congress know it is watching the vote on the following:

S 1285-S 1612 — Soldier vote bill: Deadlocked in conference are the house-approved phony states rights bill, S 1285, and the senate-approved compromise version of S 1612, providing a federal ballot for servicemen and women. Blocking a compromise on federal ballot are diehard polltaxer John Rankin (D. Miss.); Karl LeCompte (R. Ia.) and Harris Ellsworth (R. Ore.) Other conferees are Rep. Eugene Worley (D. Tex.); Herbert Boner (D. N. C.); Senators Theodore Green (D. R. I.); Tom Connally (D. Tex.); Warren Austin (R. Vt.); Carl Hatch (D. N. M.); and Hugh Butler (R. Neb.)

HR 7—Marcantonio anti-poll tax bill: Expected to be called up momentarily on senate floor where it is threatened with a filibuster. Sen. Pat McCarran (D. Nev.), chairman of the judiciary committee, has promised to bring it out on floor. Unions demanding speedy action, urging senators to vote "yes" on cloture (limiting debate) and "no" on any amendments or motions to table or postpone the bill.

HR 2328—Lynch anti-race hate bill: Bars anti-Jewish, anti-Negro propaganda from the mails. In danger of being buried in house postoffice committee, headed by Rep. Thomas Burch (D. Va.) Unions urging committee to vote bill out.

S 1272—Hatch amendment: Makes Smith-Connaly act ban on labor money contributions to federal election campaigns permanent. Passed by senate, now up before house judiciary committee, headed by Hatton W. Sumners (D. Tex.)

Socalled Equal Rights amendment: Would kill all protective laws for women workers under pretense of extending them equal rights. Its sponsor, Pat Cannon (D. Fla.), circulating a discharge petition, which needs 218 signatures to get amendment on floor. Labor wiring representatives not to sign.

OPA Exempts Summer Spots From Rent Control

WASHINGTON (FP) — War workers taking much needed rests this summer are going to run into heavy rentals. OPA announced that housing accommodations and hotel rooms rented only during the summer season in resort communities will be exempt from rent control from June 1 through Sept. 30.

Readers Digest Hit As Menace

NEW YORK, Feb. 19, (FP)—Readers Digest, under fire recently as a publisher of native fascists propaganda, found itself the target of attacks on two continents.

Charging that Readers Digest deliberately plants most of the articles it later reprints and controls through secret subsidies a large part of the contents of American magazines, the New Yorker magazine refused Feb. 12 to renew its reprint agreement with the publication.

The Council for Pan American Democracy revealed that a number of newspapers in Chile and Uruguay are calling for a boycott of Selectiones, Latin American edition of Readers Digest, and that organized labor in Cuba is demanding that it be banned from the mails.

So America Protests

In Brazil, the council said, the Rio de Janeiro newspaper Directrizes charged that Selecciones" "continues to serve groups interested in dividing the United Nations, supporting profascist and fascist currents" by circulating fifth column propaganda throughout Latin America in an "apparently inoffensive form."

"The Digest started out as a reprint magazine but grew into something quite different," the New Yorker said in a letter to its contributors explaining its decision. "Nowadays a large portion of its contents is frankly original with the Digest. Of the stuff that is presented as reprint material, much actually originates in the office of the Digest and then gets farmed out to some other magazine for first publication."

In Washington an attack was made on Readers Digest also by Sen. Joseph F. Guffey (D. Pa.) for its campaign to "overthrow the present administration." Its policy of deliberately planting anti-labor, defeatist, anti-New Deal articles in other magazines to digest them for republication later was denounced by Johannes Steel, New York columnists and radio commentator, Dec. 7.

Propose Fund For Steel Servicemen

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Write To Your Congressman

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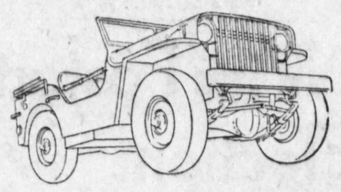

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Cherie Kaptur was remembered on her birthday by Leah Harmon, Margaret Beach, Olive O'Brien, Margaret Shaw, Bernice Szmijewski, Martha Izbinski, Hilda Coulter, Agnes Koester, Frances Dudek, Martha Szmania, Minnie Schlegel and Stella Rogowski. Birthday cake and all. Happy birthday to you.

Dorothy Koester, from Dept. D, leaves for the WAVES on February 23. Best of luck, Dot.

John Grant from Dept. E in D, left for service February 18. He'll make a good soldier.

Elizabeth Raab, Bernice Sellers and Jimmy Chick are on the sick list. Here's hoping they are all on the road to recovery.

Shades of the Toledo zoo! A midget monkey! Yep, Mel Beamon of Dept. E brought the little animal in last Friday and had everyone on the second floor looking in the cage. Cute little pet. Yes?

Lucky little Mary Poole from Dept. L in E will soon join the ranks of the women in white as a cadet nurse. A grand opportunity and a great way to serve our country. Good luck, Mary.

If anyone is interested in doing a good deed and at the same time keeping up with the current events, they can buy the morning paper at the Upton avenue gate. Give the little newsboy some business.

What inspector in Dept. L in E has trouble keeping a chair for himself? Could the initials be N. C. mebbe? Some fun!

Yes, sir! It was just like old times again last week in the shipping room. Joe Thomas, who was home on leave from the Navy, came over to the plant to see the boys. As everyone knows ... is our ex-committeeman and ... a sailor in Uncle Sam's ...avy. His enthusiasm for the life of a gob is tremendous and it was good to hear his voice booming throughout the various floors he visited. Here's hoping he gets home often. He looks great.

If being a time keeper makes Larry Lang so big headed, what would he use for a hat if he got a better job?

George Smith recently broke in a new helper in the shipping room. George must have slipped upon his teaching technique because it seems this fellow was allergic to boxcars. Each time there was one to load he decided to go home. The other morning when there was a car to unload George relayed this fact to his new helper, the helper didn't even bother to take his coat off. First he went to the window, looked out and, seeing the loaded boxcar, made a bee line for home. The next day he was told that the car was on the way out and not in. I'll bet he felt foolish.

Goal Set On Preventing Plant Injuries

WASHINGTON (FP)—A million fewer industrial injuries in 1944—a 40% cut in the 1943 total of nearly 2,500,000 injuries — was set as a goal by Sec. of Labor Frances Perkins Feb. 15.

Addressing a meeting of the Labor Dept.'s national committee for the conservation of manpower in war industries, Miss Perkins said:

"This reduction would result in the saving of some 22,000,000 days of work. In manufacturing alone it would increase the number of workers on the job each day by 24,000.

While the size of the accident prevention program outlined will require the Labor Dept. to confine its own work to war plants, nevertheless it "has a definite interest in the safety of wage-earners in every type of work," she said.

Today's Gem

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y. (FP)—The White Plains Reporter Dispatch refused to accept an ad from the Westchester Cooperative Society, announcing the opening of a new store, because "it is against the policy of Westchester County Publishers, Inc. (owners of the paper) to publish cooperative advertisements."

The Waggin' Tongue of Local 12

This business of writing a column has its drawbacks, but those engaged in it meet a lot of interesting people (we presume). We met a gentleman recently at the Local's barroom, where local men of letters get together for refreshment of body and soul. So we commenced to interview this brother of the Acklin Unit. Accepting our invitation to kick the alphabet around, he made the following statements:

"All those union members with rosy cheeks and that all-out healthy look attribute same to Stella Miller's supreme pick-up coffee." (No charge for the plug, Stella.)

At the rate "Alabam" is picking up the coin lately, it seems that that sixth lot will be paid for before long.

Now that Louie Mattox is safely installed as chairman and editor for the coming year, it's about time that the Acklinite column should let its hair down now and then and go a la Winchell. It has been rumored on the quiet that a collection is in progress to buy a pair of roller skates for their chairman, so that he can take care of all the union business with the least effort. (Ride 'em, cowboy.)

After a wait of three years the single men have finally defeated the married men in a bowling match. Why pick on a leap year, singles? Cassanova Losek led the single men, in fact, the whole gang, with a money taking 562 total. The chip is still on the single men's shoulders.

It's a well known fact that some of the die makers at Acklin can't do their best work lately. Perhaps because they just can't get used to the new furniture.

DON'T ASK US

How flaming red hair can be called golden brown. That is beyond Webster's definition. Paging who?

How come all the girls choose the same day to wear those bright red outfits? Out with the secret, somebody.

Willys Seeing Eye

Brothers and Sisters, have you been reading the feelers that those politicians you helped elect or were appointed by those who are on top of the heap? Number one, the National Service Law that would make free labor one of the biggest farces this world has ever seen. Why? Because they would be able to transfer workers any place they made a labor shortage. Henry Simpson, who is an advocate of this law, comes from that clique who are enemies of organized labor, better known as a union hater along with the NAM, and then came along Mr. Knox, the would-be refinancing banker of Chicago and a two-bit Republican who is Secretary of the Navy, who advocates compulsory military training for your youngsters when this war is over. It has always been our belief this country was set up on the principle that every one was free, but that cannot be his belief. He wants to build up an Army and Navy big enough to collect all the credits of money loaned by the big financiers, who will have overflowing coffers when this war is over, to those countries ruined by Hitler's Hordes. Let's keep the U.S.A. the land of the free, and not allow a lot of "political jugglers" make a Fascist country out of it. The way to do this is to be registered and able to vote when the time comes. Where do you register? At 217 Superior street, the Board of Elections, next to the Esquire Theatre.

The officers and members of the Willys Unit would like to convey their sympathy to the family of Brother John Hauser, 404304, of the Plant Protection, who passed away February 19, 1944. We all know we are going to miss Brother John.

How do you like your income forms? If the workers of this grand country of ours would only vote for the same people who believe in their welfare, we would not have been faced with this headache. It looks as though congress connived with the National Bar Association and made the income forms as complicated as it was possible, so you would have to hire a lawyer to make out your form. Remember, Ramey, Taft and Burton voted for these forms and did not ask you if you liked them or not.

We would suggest that Mr. Graf, who is an assistant of Bill Paris, read his contract in regard to people who bid for certain jobs. They take that job or go back to the department where they formerly worked and stay there.

We see a notice that a certain guy by the name of Johnson is back in Aluminum Forge Shop, and is already sending out one of his brainstorm letters.

Here we go again from "308"
We wrap 'em and pack 'em
Those parts for the jeep,
And the wages they pay
Seem plenty cheap.
If it wasn't for the war and the burst of shell
We'd tell 'em quite fast to go—.
The WLB—by the time they settle it we'd be there anyhow.

Here's to a speedy recovery for Veda and Eva, who are off on sick leave.

Make it pink at Helen Fisher's baby shower, as she has great hopes.

Happy birthday returns to Stella Knusner, who was surprised by a pot-luck given her by the first conveyor girls.

Evelyn Glesner will be addressed as Mrs. Baumgartner as of February 5th last. Also Jean Ritchner is going to hear bells ring when she becomes the bride of Louis Slesinski, next month.

Ruth Hodges is smiling and happy again over a surprise visit from her soldier husband.

Glad to see our sweeper and matron back to work. We sure missed them and we aren't kidding.

We understand that there are departments in the Overland where they actually line up when they ring out their time-cards at night. Visit Dept. 308 some evening and see the 4:00 o'clock battle.—Reported by M. D. Wheeler.

We have a nice stewardess upstairs here, but our own Belle Ruby couldn't lose her girls, so she is with us. They are both grand gals. Hello, gang downstairs.

MATHER Springboard

By Pete Griffin.

One of the largest attended meetings ever held by our Unit took place Feb. 13. Arnold (Murphy) Shenofsky, director of the Local 12 Camera Club, entertained us with movies of the Navy, for which the Unit wishes to express its thanks.

Officers for the coming year were nominated with the largest number of candidates ever standing for election.

ELECTION RESULTS

Results of the election, which was held at Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St., Feb. 21, were as follows: Pete Griffin, chairman; Felix Sawicki, vice-chairman; Joe Fisher, secretary; L. W. Teril, Barney Goloszewski, Clarence May, Paul Britton and Jim Hall re-elected to the committee. New members elected to the committee were Buck Tucker, Jim Belding and Charlie Prest.

TIED

Tied for committee with 91 votes each were Red Bryk and Charlie Prest. The tie was broken by Brother Bryk conceding the election to Charlie Prest.

In answer to the query of a brother, I will quote one of Confucius' wise sayings: "Man who raffle whiskey must keep bottle in pocket instead of mouth."

Brother Elmer Clayton was the lucky winner of the drawing for the shotgun. He chose the $50 alternative prize instead.

We have made considerable progress on our contract with the company and hope soon to have the job completed.

Shells Sell High

Two boxes of 12 gauge shotgun shells sold at auction at London, Ohio, the other evening for a total of $7,400.

They were auctioned five times at a war bond auction, where a pair of coveted nylon hose brought only a mere pittance compared to the shells—$5,600.

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OPPORTUNITY

It was my opportunity to hear Dr. Allen Stockdale, former Toledo minister, when he spoke before the employes of the Toledo Steel Products Co. last week.

Dr. Stockdale is being sponsored by the National Association of Manufacturers, which immediately makes him suspect in the eyes of the workers, who are well acquainted with the attitude of this organization toward labor.

The speaker was quite an orator, who had his listeners amused and then interested when he went from humor to tragedy in a few short sentences.

One thing Dr. Stockdale did was give the workers of the country a good pat on the back when he said that the production attained in this country was miraculous.

It was quite apparent that even though the production of the workers has been, as Dr. Stockdale said, "miraculous." the manufacturers are still not satisfied. They seem to want super-duper production, and lure a minister away from his pulpit to whip up the enthusiasm of the workers, as the evangelist works up the emotions of the sinners to get them to confess their wrongdoings and sin no more.

Now that I have had plenty of time to give thought to Dr. Stockdale's talk, it seems to me that the workers could have used the time taken up by the speaker in producing those things which the employers say they want more of. Not only that, but rumors about Dr. Stockdale have come to me which make me wonder if he is the type of man the workers want to listen to. I wonder what foot he is hiding the nickel under. I am not opposed to production rallies as such, but if the industries must bring in speakers, why don't they give labor a chance to talk to the workers as well as the unbiased (?) stooges hired by the National Association of Manufacturers?

Airway Airings

I take this opportunity to thank the following members of the election committee for their fine co-operation and support: Alice Spanski, Sam Barker, John Zielinski, Doris Griffith, Phyllis Smith and Eleanor Sieczkowski. Especially Eleanor for her typing and Sam for her verse.

We had a nice turnout. One hundred and two votes were cast.

Leo Snoad,
Chairman of Election Committee

We wish to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the splendid co-operation we, as a committee, received from our past chairman, Joe Mroz, and may our second year working with him as committeeman be just as pleasant. I'm sure we will have a successful year.

Executive Shop Committee
Carl Lew
Elizabeth Hoot
Helen Reed
Zig. Lapinski
Ella Mae Johnston

Ragging The Scale

MORE CONVERSATION

In our last stint we wrote about an imaginary conversation between President Gene Koontz and Secretary Jim Hanna of the Scale Workers of Ohio. This is another between Mr. Richards, plant manager, and Mr. Herron, personnel manager.

Mr. Richards: What do you think of these guys, Herron? (Meaning Koontz and Hanna, who had just left his office with a hang-dog expression on their bare faces.)

Mr. Herron: Well, Dick, I'll tell you. It's a good thing for us that the president of the Scale Workers isn't smart; but I think this Hanna isn't stupid. I'm afraid that we had better be careful or we'll have the CIO in here sitting in our laps before we're done. Believe me, Richards, it's going to be a bad day for us with the old man if and when the CIO gets into this plant.

Mr. Richards: Well, what the hell can we do? Can we help it if this guy Koontz muffs the ball just like he did when he was playing baseball. I remember when he was the outstanding strike-out artist in this part of the state, and it looks to me like he's still missing the fast ones.

Mr. Herron: Yeah, that reminds me—what's going to be in the new contract?

Mr. Richards: Don't worry about that. If there's anything good in it we'll see to it that it's taken out. Maybe we'll have to make a couple of minor concessions to give Koontz something to talk about, but nothing to write home about.

Mr. Herron: Yes, but—

Mr. Richards (interrupting Herron): We will probably have to continue to make a few concessions here and there; but from what I can see we'll be able to keep these working guys in harness for quite a few years, unless someone gets them all worked up.

Mr. Herron: Let's dump the whole thing in the lap of the Scale Workers. The officers like their jobs and will do almost anything to protect themselves from a real union. This guy Koontz would rather be president of the Scale Workers than catch for the Yankees—if he could catch.

Mr. Richards: Yeah, let's not worry about it. Gene will take care of everything; but keep your eyes on Hanna—I don't trust that guy too much.

Just then the phone rang.

Mr. Richards: It's for you, Herron.

Mr. Herron (answering phone): "Who? Oh, he did? What's that? You say you have evidence he's a member of the CIO. No. No! Don't fire him. Just tell him that we've had a cutback and there isn't any more work until further notice. Yeah. Tell him we'll send for him when work picks up again. Ha, ha. Okey, so long.

Mr. Richards: That's a good one, Herron. That's what I call using the old dome.

Right To Criticize Government Upheld

DENVER, Feb 20 (FP)—Two out of three Americans believe that newspapers should have the right to criticize the form of government in peacetime, a survey conducted by the National Opinion Research Center, University of Denver, reveals.

Question put to a cross section of the population was: "In peacetime do you think newspapers should be allowed to criticize our form of government?" Answers were: yes—66%; no—30%; undecided—4%.

As a check on the consistency of the opinions, this question was also asked: "In peacetime, do you think the Socialist Party should be allowed to publish newspapers in this country?" Answers were: yes—57%; no—25%; undecided—18%.

The high undecided vote, the research center said, "probably indicates a considerable degree of uncertainty and lack of information regarding just what the Socialist Party is and what sort of newspapers it might publish."

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We wish to thank Kelsey Monday for the fine cooperation he has shown on the Welfare Committee. We are sorry to have him resign the chairmanship. We wish to say Hello to our new chairman Sparky Miller who has had some experience in the welfare line.

At the present time we have about 30 per cent in the welfare fund. Lets sign up now. The money is used for the wants of our boys in the armed services. It is also used for the benefit of our sick members.

To make the meeting more attractive for you, there will be a drawing of a prize valued at $100. Those who haven't purchased their tickets yet should do so at once.

SURPRISE?

The meeting called by the management at the Hillcrest Hotel on Feb. 7 turned out to be something different than we imagined it would be. Instead of discussing the reasons for the recent walkout, the management showed that its real intent was to penalize the workers with loss of seniority and suspension of the committee for one year in office.

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Tear Jerker

Dr. Allen Stockdale, former Toledo minister, came back to town last week to talk to the workers of the Toledo Steel Products Co. and impress upon them the necessity for staying on the job. He came here upon the invitation of Frederick C. Crawford, former president of the National Association of Manufacturers.

When Dr. Stockdale was stationed in Toledo, he was known as an outstanding tear jerker. So aborbed would he become in his subject that he himself often cried as he eloquently painted word pictures of sins and sinners. Some said the good doctor had originally started out in life to become an actor. Regardless, he is not without histronic ability.

Two great facts were presented to the workers of the Toledo Steel Products Co. by Dr. Stockdale. One was that we are at war, the other that production has reached "miraculous" heights.

Dr. Stockdale is what is generally known as an "inspirational" speaker, whatever that is. He can soar to great rhetorical heights and snow under a group of well educated people in a mess of verbiage which would leave the average worker confused but sincerely appreciative of the doctor's great ability as an orator of vaporous mouthings.

All in all, the net result of Dr. Stockdale's trip to Toledo and his talk to the workers netted exactly nothing, for the good doctor is suspect in the minds of the workers of Toledo. The workers of Toledo will not forget, nor will Dr. Stockdale ever live down, the words which he uttered in 1919 when there was a strike at the Willys-Overland plant. (World War I had ended.)

These are the words of the man who now tries to tell the workers that there is a war going on (taken from the files of the Toledo Blade of June 19, 1919):

"A man cannot be allowed to spread doctrines that are as detrimental to our institutions as smallpox and typhoid germs to health.

"Sometimes the philosophy of machine guns is necessary to settle disturbances."

This from a minister who now prostitutes himself for the National Association of Manufacturers as he prostituted himself in 1919 for the manufacturers of Toledo.

Telling the Boys

Efforts of some of the daily papers, many radio commentators and periodicals to poison the minds of our fighting men against the unions cannot be entirely fruitless.

Realizing this, organized labor must make an increasingly greater effort to neutralize the poison instilled into some of the minds of the servicemen who must depend upon the daily press and radio for their news.

In addition to demanding that the government tell the truth about the part played by labor in the war effort, its support of bond drives, its donations to the Red Cross, War Chests and blood banks, and the sending of labor and progressive publications to the fighting men, we must depend upon the individual efforts of union members to inform their friends and former fellow workers about what labor is doing.

Each of us should constitute ourselves a committee of one to write to those who formerly worked in the shops with us, a task which will not only bring us returns in the gratitude of our members in the armed services; but which will carry much weight in overcoming the evil done by labor haters who can make their message of ill will against the unions sound plausible.

If labor can successfully combat the efforts of those who are so busy tearing down the unions, it will be they and not the unions who will have to answer to the boys when they return to their homes.

Physical Fitness

A survey by the Committee on Physical Fitness of the Federal Security Agency shows that the strain is beginning to tell on the stamina of workers on the production line.

The committee said, "Our military leaders realize that tough, strong men in uniform are fundamental in building an effective Army and Navy. No pains are spared to maintain the strength and stamina of our soldiers, sailors and marines. It is just as important that similar concern be shown for the industrial workers, the man and woman on the home front."

War On All Fronts

Battle Courage

Capt. De Foney, U. S. N.

(WNU Feature—Through special arrangement with The American Magazine)

One of the first things to understand about military courage is that you cannot apply a yardstick to it in advance of action. Human fortitude cannot be measured like the tensil strengtn of a bar of steel. Only battle can write the answers. Often as not, a lion turns out to be a lamb in combat, or a lamb a lion.

For several months I served on one of the biggest aircraft carriers in the Pacific. On this ship was a downy-faced 18 year old kid whom we called Babe. He was a timid, introspective sort of boy who read books in his bunk at night, stammered when you spoke to him and, while he was a member of a 50-caliber gun crew, he appeared to be just about everything a fighting man shouldn't be.

Then one azure morning we were attacked by enemy dive-peeling off one by one and bombers. Down they came, lancing straight at the carrier. We had fighters up and our heavy antiaircraft slammed at the Japs like a hundred doors, but the kids back of the long file of 50-calibers just waited. During long, desperate seconds they simply had to stand and take it.

I was watching Babe anxiously. He looked sick with fear. I wouldn't have been surprised to see him collapse at his post.

But he didn't collapse. As the bombers screamed into range and the 50-calibers blazed into action, the scared kid suddenly became a man—a cool, efficient and entirely deadly man. He never faltered for an instant in the performance of his duties.

Wartime Emotions

When the attack was beaten off, Babe was transformed. His face was flushed, his eyes bright and he danced up and down on deck in a kind of unholy ecstasy. "We got one of 'em," he shouted jubilantly.

That illustrates a point which many noncombatants do not understand about war. It was largely discipline and training, of course, which enabled Babe and his comrades to stand fast during the terrible seconds when the Japs dived straight at them, but, once they were able to strike back, they were immensely strengthened by an emotion which old-time writers used to refer to as "the fierce joy of battle."

There comes a time, however, when the mental and nervous fatigue which results from constant risk-taking can, if continued long enogh, sap the fortitude of the bravest.

The case of Johnny Allen was like that. Razor-keen, spunky, blue-eyed kid with a triangle of ginger hair on his forehead, Johnny had everything a fighter pilot needs. There wasn't anything in the air he was afraid of, and on the ground he was invariably good-natured, happy-go-lucky always up to some amusing deviltry.

After his arrival in the Solomons, Johnny went on hazardous operational missions day after day. Often he would be in combat two or three times in 24 hours.

After a, few weeks of this Johnny's personality underwent a marked change. In an airplane he seemed just as daring as ever, but he stopped enjoying life. Instead of horsing around with fellow pilots after a flight he would go off in a corner and read. He groused a lot. One night he flew into a rage and took a poke at his best friend merely because he had scattered some equipment on his cot.

Rest Cure

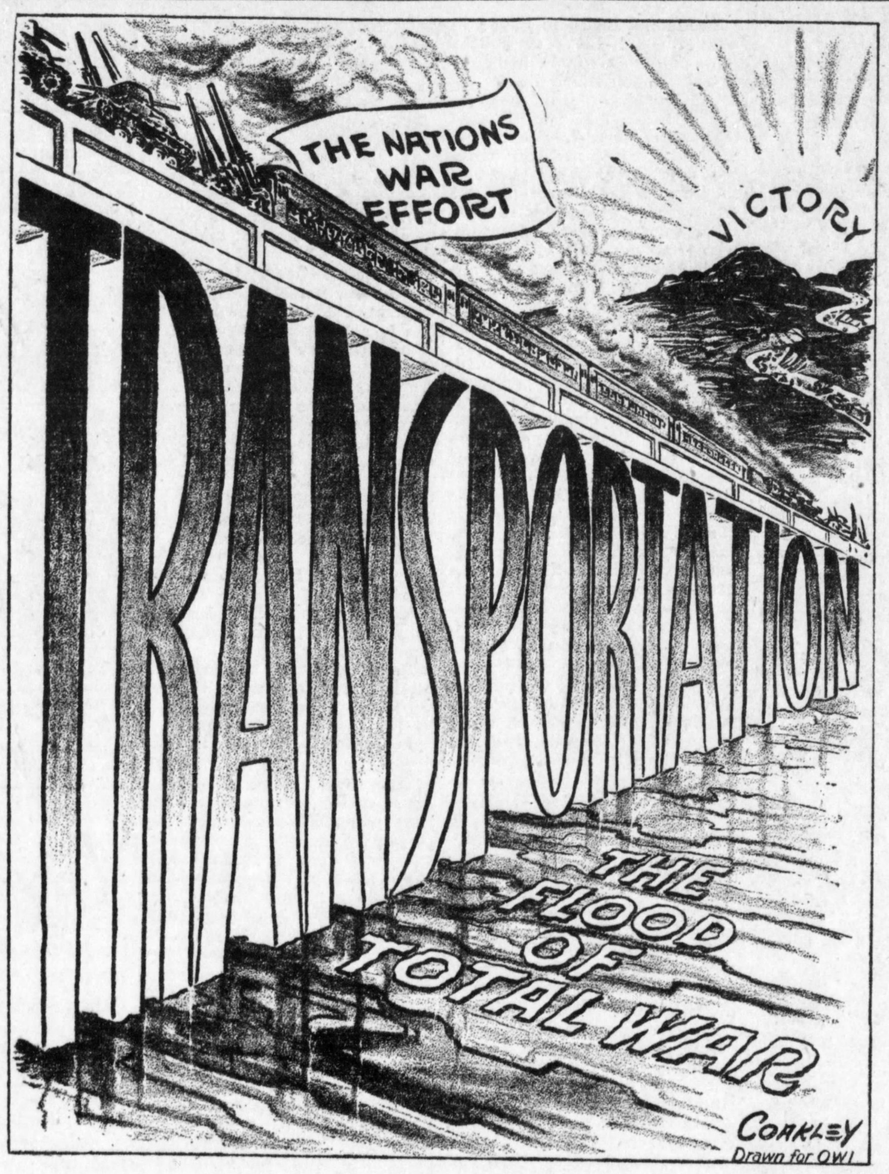
The squadron's flight surgeon had a quiet talk with Johnny. He broke down and bawled in the middle of it. The flight surgeon knew the symtoms. What really ailed Johnny was fatigue. He wouldn't admit it even to himself, but his nerve was gone. The surgeon sent him back to a hospital for rest, followed by leave.

When he returned to the squadron he was himself again, as brave and cheerful as ever, but if the doctor had not acted promptly Johnny might have suffered a nervous crack-up which would have cost his life, and possibly those of some of the men who flew with him.

Modern Improvements

In the amphibious warfare of the Pacific, one of the chief dangers to a flier is that of running out of gasoline and being forced down at sea or over jungle, and in the first months after Pearl Harbor, many a kid lay awake nights thinking about these hazards. Today they worry less about them. They hove been taught how to survive in the jungle, and they know that they have 7 out of 10 chances of being rescued if they are forced down at sea in the vicinity of the group of islands where fighting is now going on.

Keep The Tracks Clear For Victory!



It's News To Me

By O. J. Pecord

BRICKER'S SURPLUS

Ohio presents the strange paradox of its largest municipal governments being unable to operate necessary services ordinarily expected of municipalities, while the state treasury boasts an ever-increasing surplus of $78,000,000, which is still growing.

Outside of aiding Governor John Bricker secure re-election on two previous occasions, the money which is lying idle in the state treasury might as well be buried in the treasure house of some fabulously wealthy Indian potentate.

O. J. Pecord

But, whose money is this that Governor Bricker handles like some miserly and greedy Shylock? To be sure, it's ours; but from the way the municipalities of Ohio go to the governor, hat in hand, begging a few crumbs, groveling before this mighty man, you would think that it was Bricker's own personal dough. It's Bricker's trust, and how he hangs onto it.

WHY TAXES?

Just why do we pay a sales tax anyhow? Do we pay it for the purpose of giving Mr. Bricker a good talking point in his search for bigger and better political jobs, or do we raise tax money to carry on the necessary functions of government?

To observe a constantly growing surplus of money in the state treasury as a result of the sales tax, while Governor John Bricker turns a deaf ear to the pleas of the cities of the state for aid, is a spectacle which should arouse the people of this state to action. Tax money is not to be accumulated over a long period of years and used to create a talking point for an ambitious politician who would like to be President, but will settle for vice-president, if Tom Dewey deprives him of the first place spot.

IT'S EMBARRASSING

But there is some consolation in observing that after piling up a surplus for the past six years, Mr. Bricker and his advisors now find themselves in the embarrassing position of holding something that is almost too hot for them to handle.

Bear in mind that Mr. Bricker has definitely come out for the presidency. Also, don't fail to remember that he has a fine surplus in the state treasury which he would like to begin using to aid his cause. But, if he spends the money now, he is going to have a whole host of critics set upon him and tear him to shreds. If he doesn't spend the money, he will catch Hell anyhow. In either case, Mr. Bricker is going to catch plenty of Hell. Thus, he is finally geing to be rewarded by the citizens of his own state for his parsimonious habits.

And the cities of Ohio are not averse to putting the heat on the governor at this time. Committees from Toledo and other cities, even those in which the Republicans hold the balance of power, are going to Columbus to see Mr. Bricker. They are going to tell him their wants, and they are not going to forget to remind this tight-fisted executive that he is running for the highest office in the land.

INCONSISTENT

Not only has Mr. Bricker been exceedingly careful of the tax funds of the citizens of Ohio, and refused to permit them to be spent for the purpose for which they were collected, but he has proven that he himself is one of the greatest exponents of "Centralization" in his own state while he criticizes the same thing so severely in the federal government.

Those who control the purse strings of the nation and the state are certainly in a position to call the tune, and Mr. Bricker has time and again proven that he is not the least bit averse to taking advantage of his position in controling the tax funds of Ohio.

Committees from every large city in the state have gone to the governor time after time humbly begging for a few crumbs from the tax table of the miserly Bricker. Some have gone to see the governor with a chip on their shoulder, but in every case the results were the same. Mr. Bricker's stock reply was that he was going to safeguard the tax funds of the people of Ohio.

IT SOUNDS GOOD

It certainly does make a fine sound to see a handsome man like the governor rise in dignified hateur and, with a fine display of righteousness say, "I am going to protect the tax money of the people of this state".

It counds good, but it doesn't do the taxpayers any good until the tax money is spent for the purpose for which it was raised. Tax money lying idle is like a gold mine that has never been touched. The only time tax money can do the people any good is when it is being put to use to carry on the functions of government. Until tax money does this, it is like the promise of Heaven held out to those on earth who are told that they must die to enjoy it.

Yes, Mr. Bricker has made himself a fine little boomerang which is going to come home to him quite a few times before he sees the Republican convention, and which will come back still oftener if he is unfortunate enough to secure the nomination for either the presidency or the vice-presidency.

Editor's Mail

What About Sports?

From what I see of the paper, it looks like a fairly good sheet — for a labor paper. There is one thing I think could be built up better and that is the sport page. To read this page now, one would get the idea that bowling is the only sport in which members of the Local were interested.

How about carrying stories and scores from the industrial basketball leagues, or are you too busy?

Fraternally yours,
Joe Bailey.
Willys-Overland Unit.

Editor's Note: Sorry about the sport page, pal. If you want the job of covering the Industrial Basketball League, you're in. For your information, our staff is limited and unable to cover the things the daily press covers with many reporters. However, we will gladly welcome volunteers.

Dear Editor:

I think by now that most readers of the public press are well acquainted with the meaning of the word "expendable". We have read much about the Marines on Baatan who were classified as expendable in order that they might cover the withdrawal of General MacArthur's staff.

Writing as a member of Labor's Joint Committee for Political Action, I have my own personal list of expendables, and hope to write these letters on them from time to time in the future.

First on my **particular** list is Representative John Rankin of Mississippi. Rankin, if you will remember, is the labor baiter who, speaking on the Lucas Green bill, said he would "stand till doomsday" against the principles of the Lucas Green bill.

This is understandable when one realizes that Rankin was elected by receiving exactly 7,079 votes under the poll tax system. Rankin's district has sent some 20,000 voters into the armed forces, more than enough to vote him out of office thrice over, so Rankin's 7,000 is going to tell 20,000 soldiers that they can't vote. They are going to tell them they were only drafted and sent overseas for the boat ride.

So far as the writer is concerned, Representative John Rankin is "expendable".

Howard Seren.

On The Beam

By Clayton W. Fountain

The American Communist Party is having its face lifted again. Earl Browder, speaking for the comrades of the Party in this country, has announced the willingness of his outfit to cooperate with capitalism, both now and in the post-war period.

Clayton W. Fountain

In furtherance of this policy, the Party leaders have declared their intention of transforming their movement from a political party into some form of educational association.

It has been stated in the Daily Worker that the Party welcomes discussion of its latest revision of policy by non-Communists.

Okay, here goes.

THE FAMILY IDIOT

I think labor journalists everywhere ought to take up this invitation to discuss the policies of the Communists. We have too long acted as if the Party were the idiot of labor's family. That is, labor editors and writers have purposely avoided discussing Communist policies in the pages of the labor press.

What has been the motive of this inclination to keep the CP hidden away in labor's attic?

The answer, I think, is twofold: First, honest laborites, while opposed to CP policies, have been afraid to voice their opposition openly. This fear has been based upon two reasons. The silent opponents of CP policies have been reluctant to admit to the public that the Communists are a force in the labor movement; and they have known that, if they dared to attack the CP openly, their heads would be battered with a storm of charges of "red-baiting."

Secondly, influential Communists entrenched in the unions have willfully, and quite successfuflly, suppressed discussion of CP policies in the area of their influence.

CP TOUCHINESS

There is something funny and very puzzling about the touchiness of the CP on the subject of criticism of its policies by non-Communists.

The Party seems to operate on a theory of whole-hog or none. Communists insist that you are for them or against them. They deny the existence of any middle ground of sincerity within which a non-Communist can be honestly critical of Party policies.

To criticize the Communist Party is always to lay oneself open to violent charges of being a "red-baiter." To actively organize opposition to Communists policies is to invite accusations of being a "Trotskyite," a "Socialist" or a "disruptionist."

Even to attempt to analyze the reasons under the Communist Party's unshakable belief that it is always one hundred per cent right is to risk denunciation as a "red-baiter."

HOW DISCUSS IT?

How, then, is a non-Communist to go about accepting the invitation of the Daily Worker to discuss the recent shift in CP policy?

If one disagrees with the Party, or honestly criticizes, it, he is doomed to the role of a heckler or a "red-baiter." So long as this standard of judgement prevails within the ranks of the CP, the invitation to discussion is a phoney.

There has been no genuine freedom of thought or discussions within Communist circles. Communist thinking is totalitarian, and it permits discussion only to the point of debating how to apply CP policies. To question the policies themselves is verboten.

To prove this, ask the first Communist you meet if it is possible for an anti-Communist to posses a sincere desire to achieve the good life?

They'll tell you every time that anti-Communists in the labor movement are crooks and traitors bent on selling out the workers to capitalists in the old days—Fascists and defeatists now.

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser, Director, Region 2B, UAW-CIO

PEACETIME EMPLOYMENT

Labor leaders are turning their attention to the question of employment after the war, a subject about which a great deal will be heard as the war progresses to its end.

One thing about which we all have very definite agreement is that we must have full scale employment and the production of the abundance of which this country is capable.

Richard Gosser

We cannot help but think back to the last war, a war which we believed we had won merely because our enemies laid down their arms and quit fighting. We knew afterwards, as we know now, that we won the war and lost the peace, and we realized this very forcefully when we saw millions of unemployed people begging for the right to work, eking out a bare living working on government projects.

PLANNING

In order to prepare for the full employment which we want after the war, we must begin now to make plans for that period. I realize that nobody can be certain of what the conditions of the country will be by the time the war has ended; but we do know that people will still have to keep on living and that they will have to work to earn their living.

We know that industry can produce when it is compelled to. We have observed the marvelous war production, the cooperative efforts of the workers in making the things which we need to carry the war on and to bring it to what we now believe will be a successful finish. As we observe these things, we wonder why we cannot produce for our own benefit and use as we now produce to kill our enemies and wreak destruction and ruin upon their cities.

A NEW IDEA

Men are not going to forget the new idea which is being instilled into their minds as they observe American industry working in high gear turning out the goods of destruction. When this war is over, the people of this country are not going to be satisfied with anything short of full employment and a greater measure of security. Workers now putting in many hours of overtime, sometimes almost to the point of wrecking their health, are not going to be content with part-time or occasional employment. We will not be able to hold our people in line by putting them to work digging holes in the ground one day and filling them up the next.

Make no mistake about it, labor is going to be articulate in the post-war world. It is going to demand full employment and the opportunity to earn the rewards it now knows are possible in our economy. We must have an economy of plenty and it must be made available to those who produce it.

Price Control

By Melvin M. Schultz,
President Local 12, UAW-CIO

Ever since the beginning of the war emergency, the UAW-CIO has consistantly fought for adequate price control.

A program designed to hold cost to consumers in check must include definite price ceilings with enforcement machinery, grade labeling to prevent dilutions of quality at same prices and overall rationing of all consumers goods of which there are shortages. This has been the program on price control of the UAW which has been continually under bitter attack from those groups who stand to gain the most from skyrocketing prices and inflation.

Melvin Schultz

SPECIAL GROUPS

These groups include the so-called "farm bloc" in Congress which represents not the working farmers, but the owners of the huge farm factories on which farm labor is poorly paid, while the owners demand top prices for their crops from the consumers.

Also included are the food processors and canners who have consistantly fought grade labeling, who are opposed to subsidies and who demand increased prices altho the record plainly shows they have made a larger profit since the war than ever before. They were also doing very well in profits before the war.

The "farm bloc" represents such groups as the Farm Bureau and the Grange which are organizations of wealthy agricultural industrialists. These groups have been working in direct alliance with the big food manufacturers who are headed by General Foods Corporation.

Their joint attempt to liquidate subsidies, kill the price control program and let loose inflation was recently exposed by Walter Ruether, UAW-CIO vice-president, in his testimony before the Senate Banking and Currancy Committee.

NEEDS DEFENSE

While it is true that the price control program should certainly be both more complete and more effective, it is a step in the right direction and must therefore, be defended by the workers. For it is the workers who will suffer the most if the enemies of price control manage to destroy it.

Representatives in Congress even if anti-labor in sympathy, will still be influenced by letters from their constitutes. Every member of the UAW-CIO is urged to write to Representative Homer Ramey and George Bender and Senators Robert Taft and Harold Burton and let them know you wish the price control program made effective and enforced.

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News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

Films To Come

"Right About Face"

Compiled by Burny Zawodny

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Born and bred in Brooklyn, William Gargan confesses that he had never been any closer to cows and pigs than pictures in school textbooks, up until the time he signed a picture contract and traveled out to Hollywood. His highly successful career in the movies has, incidentally, transformed him from a boy of the city streets into a real, pay dirt farmer and rancher.

Sitting down with a virile and versatile young M-G-M player, who will soon be seen in M-G-M's "Right About Face," a questioner has a hard time keeping the conversation on a cinematic plane. While Mr. Gargan enjoys acting and always has, right at this present moment he'd rather chat about the percentage of profits in Bertkshire of Mallard versus Moscovy ducks.

Gargan, with lots of time on his hands, got to looking about the country. He visited a ranch, liked it, and within a few weeks found himself owner of a nearby property. This in turn led to acquisition of his present ranch near San Jacinto, ninety miles from the M-G-M studios in Culver City. Most of the family shopping is done at Riverside, a colorful little community packed with relics of Spanish padre days in old California.

Likes Rauch

Outside of the days actually spent before the camera at the studio, Gargan is rarely to be found away from his sixty-acre ranch. This spring, unable to obtain any farm help, he jumped aboard a tractor and did all his plowing and sowing himself.

His particular interest is his poultry business, which is now on a paying basis. He supplies three hundred chickens regularly each week to Chasen's restaurant in Hollywood, and a fresh supply of eight hundred one-day-old chicks is likely to arrive at the Gargan homestead any hour of the day or night. He always has several hundred ducks, geese and turkeys in stock, in addition to more than two thousand chickens, and his turnover in all departments is a rapid one.

It was by his performance in "The Animal Kingdom"—one that rivaled Leslie Howard's in the same show in critical attention—that Gargan first attracted the omniscient eye of Hollywood. He went out to California with no thought of an extended stay, and within a short span of years had become one of the screen's most popular actors. He has played prize fighters, pilots, roustabouts and all types of rugged leading men. Among the pictures in which he has been seen during the past four years are "Three Sons," "Double Alibi," "Turnabout," "They Know What They Wanted," "Cheers for Miss Bishop," "Flying Cadets," "Bombay Clipper," and "The Mayor of 44th Street."

Becomes Sportsman

Gargan had never bothered much about sports, except boxing and a little street corner baseball, until he went out to California. He has now become an expert rider and used to play polo, in the days before war restrictions made it desirable to give all his spare time to his ranch—or take the consequences. He owns a home in Beverly Hills but is hardly ever there, keeping it chiefly as an investment for the children.

On his present visit in the east, Gargan appeared in person at New York's Capitol Theatre, and may supplement this with some appearances in summer stock. He is restive when kept away too long from his San Jacinto home, however, so it's a safe bet he'll be back there before long. And besides, the movie schedule makers have a stack of parts already lined up for him for the 1944 season. The way things are going, he may not even be able to do his own plowing next spring.

Whoops!

"Peewee Pavlowa" is what Jane Hale was dubbed as a child dancer. She's making her film debut with George Murphy and Ginny Simms in M-G-M's Technicolor musical "Broadway Rhythm."

Dolores Has Something

The blonde body beautiful, Dolores Moran, need not worry about becoming an important star in Hollywood. That enticing figure helps, but in addition she is becoming a "character!" Many Hollywood femmes were bitter in their criticism of her performance in "Old Acquaintance." This is the tip-off that Dolores has "something." Ask any man.

Katie Meets the Author

Pearl S. Buck, author of M-G-M's forthcoming picture, "Dragon Seed," visits the set during the filming of her novel and is welcomed by Katherine Hepburn, who plays the role of Jade, and Turhan Bey, who plays the leading masculine role opposite the star.

"Rationing," M-G-M Production, Coming To Loew's Valentine Theater Next Week

Wallace Beery, who is something of a screen veteran, having chalked up fifty starring roles at M-G-M since he signed his contract 14 years ago, will appear for the first time in a picture with his daughter, Carol Ann. The film, "Rationing," soon to be seen at Loew's, co-stars Mr. Beery and Marjorie Main. Incidentally, this is the fifth time they appear on the screen together.

Carol, who is 12 years old and expects to take up acting as a career, makes her movie debut in the picture. Enthusiastically leading her onto the set the first day to meet other members of the cast, Beery exclaimed:

"We're going to be the outstanding team in Hollywood."

"If she's got the stuff—and I think she has—she'll be happy in this business," he said.

He wasn't above playing the same kind of tricks on her, however, which he has perpetrated for years on his colleagues. One occurred during an early scene when Carol, who takes the part of a youthful customer patronizing Beery's butcher shop, danced over to him and asked him to help her with her makeup. Very seriously, Beery worked on her with greasepaint for a few minutes.

"That's better," he said, standing off while he carefully scrutinized her, "Now run over and show Mr. Goldbeck." Willis Goldbeck is the film's director.

Carol did so, only to be greeted by a shout of laughter. Mr. Goldbeck then lifted her up so she could see herself in the mirror. She promptly joined in the merriment. Beery had decorated her with a Groucho Marx mustache.

The Sullivans

One of the most poignant true life dramas to come out of this war—that of the five Sullivan brothers who were lost in a single naval disaster—is the subject of 20th's "The Sullivan's. Film tells of the boys' family life, from earliest childhood to their heroic death. Produced simply, with a limited budget, film's principal roles are played by a quintet of unknowns, supported by the senitive performances of Thomas Mitchell, Anne Baxter, Selena Royle. It proves neither "names" nor top budgets make great pictures—that truth is more dramatic than fiction. The Sulivans is tremendous!

Aid International Labor Unity

BOSTON (FP)—To aid unity between American and Soviet labor unions, AFL and CIO leaders in Massachusetts set up a joint trade union advistory committee to the state Council of American-Soviet Friendship.

Playing This Week at Esquire

Barry Sullivan and Claire Trevor are all wrapped up in one another in this scene from the romantic drama, "The Woman Of The Town," scheduled to have its local premiere at the Esquire Theater this week through United Artists release.

HOLLYWOOD LOT

By TED TAYLOR

HOLLYWOOD (FP)—Soft pedaling of Japanese atrocities was ended by the War Department release of stories of Japanese savagery against the heroes of Bataan. Producers were advised by OWI that "convincing use of atrocity material will be useful overseas, especially after the war in Europe has ended, as a means of keeping alive understanding of our enemy and the will to defeat him."

Hollywood rushed to it without pausing to consider the OWI's sage observation that too many horror pictures might revolt audiences.

Warners had already released "Destination Tokyo" without including scenes of the beheading of captured fliers. But M-G-M immediately reviewed the script for "30 Seconds Over Tokyo," and Columbia that for "Mr. Winkle Goes to War" with an eye to tougher touches.

20th Century-Fox took from the shelf "Terror Island," relating to forced mating of women captives by Japanese. RKO assigned "This Is My Brother," story of five captured American soldiers tortured as spies, to Dudley Nichols to script and direct.

Rush Plans

Preparations were hastened on "The Death March (Republic), "I Was a Prisoner of Japan" (Monogram), "I Escaped From Hong Kong (20th), "Betrayal From the East" (RKO) and "S.S. Gripsholm" (Melford).

Edward Small of United Artists, no story on hand, quickly registered the titles, "March of Death," "Butchers of Nippon," "The Tortures of Tojo" and "Escape From the Japs" for if-and-when selection.

This rush to cash in on horror appears to be more than the government counted on. There is control on export licenses, but some irresponsible imaginations might decide to forget export and shoot super-shockers for the home market.

The War Department has therefore served notice on all studios that atrocities must be (a) documented, or (b) credible—or there will be no cooperation—that is, no use of government uniforms, weapons, equipment, location sites.

Finding the Actors

WANTED: JAPANESE. Hollywood's next problem is how to cast Japanese characters for so many pictures. Screen Actors Guild (AFL) reports at most 150 Chinese, Filipinos, Koreans who can represent Japanese. Central Casting can dig up 50 more Chinese who have occasionally worked as extras.

Flash! Columbia has quietly signed 30 Orientals to term contracts to keep them available during the shooting of "Mr. Winkle Goes to War."

INVASION PREVIEW. The Navy has completed a film to show war workers what the invasion of Europe will look like. It is "Battle for the Beaches." It includes new combat footage, also captured film from the Nazis' eye-view of Dieppe.

LABOR GETS THE JOB. Because of labor's response in war drives, the new Red Cross campaign in Hollywood studios has been entrusted to six AFL leaders. Chairman is Frank Carothers, who represents seven internationals in the Hollywood basic agreement.

Stop and Think

Prize story of a distracted father is told by Bing Crosby. Seems that Johnny Burke, the songwriter who has done so many of Bing's great numbers, has twin daughters. Johnny was worried plenty because the twins never uttered a word for the first two years of their lives.

Then one day he was working at the piano and Regan came into the room. "Where's Rory?" Johnny asked absently. "Why she's upstairs." Regan replied, uttering the first words of her whole lifetime. "Thanks," Johnny said without looking up. Then came the dawn. "Kid just never had anything to say before," Bing casually explains.

Soldiers Know

Beautiful Laraine Day really stepped on a hornets' nest when she gave out a story that on a recent camp tour the officers paid her so much attention that she couldn't give as much time to the enlisted men as she should have. Immediately, several other celebrities came out with the statement that they spent "most" of their time with the enlisted men. "Most" is certainly not enough, and Laraine should receive a deep bow from all of us for courageously speaking her mind. Most officers think of the enlisted men first, but in more than one camp they allow the rank-and-file soldier a brief look at the star, then whisk her away to the Officers' Club and keep her there for the benefit of themselves and their wives. We read dozens of the thousands of letters Laraine received from soldiers who backed up her statement. Significantly enough, most of the letters were unsigned. The soldiers frankly stated that they were afraid they'd "get in trouble" if their names were known. The incident should be the tip-off that Laraine is right—and no thanks to the Hays office for trying to soft pedal the whole thing.

Wants a Little English

Hear tell, with no offense to Jon Hall, that Maria Montez has a yen to have a new leading man. She'd like a little English dialogue as well, as she is weary of the "yaki-mooy-hoy" talk she's been giving out with from the depth of her sarongs. She's made real progress as an actress and since her marriage to Jean Pierre Aumont has changed a lot. Incidentally, Pierre's doing a real job with the Free French and Maria has the laugh on all those who termed this just a publicity romance!

Do You Know?

Surprise of a lifetime came to Walter Pidgeon one evening when he walked into a restaurant and nearly stepped on a pretty girl sitting on the floor with the contents of her purse scattered all around her. The young lady had seemingly gone beserk in the place, but not from drink. After he had been tosed out and made a second entrance through a window, only to be forcibly ejected by police and carted away in an ambulance, it was learned that she had suffered a sudden nervous crackup from work and worry. The girl supports a mother and other relative and had simply overworked. She's well now and an amusing aftermath to the incident can be told. The day after the restaurateur put a board over the broken window. On it was neatly lettered: "Use other entrance, please."

Here's A Hollywood Luncheon

Lucille Ball and Dick Powell seem to be sharing a lunch basket on the set at M-G-M during the filming of their forthcoming musical picture, "Meet the People," which features no end of comedians and Hollywood beauties.

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IT'S TRUE!
By Wiley Padan
GENERAL CHENNAULT (OF THE FLYING TIGERS) SAYS THAT ANY PILOT UP IN A PLANE IS JUST 'A GUY NAMED JOE'... WHICH EXPLAINS THE TITLE OF MGM's NEWEST AIR EPIC!
LEO
THERE'S A TELEPHONE BOOTH SCENE IN THIS FILM THAT GETS OUR VOTE FOR AN ACE-HIGH PERFORMANCE! ... WAIT 'TIL YOU SEE IT!
SPENCER TRACY
IS CAST AS A DARE-DEVIL PILOT in MGM's NEW KIND OF STORY THAT YOU'LL ADMIT IS DIFFERENT!
VICTOR FLEMING
WHO DIRECTED 'GONE WITH THE WIND' and NOW MGM's 'A GUY NAMED JOE' USED TO BE A RACECAR DRIVER!
JAMES GLEASON
HAS HAD THE SAME STAND-IN (JOE HINDS) FOR 18 YEARS! A REAL HOLLYWOOD RECORD!
Irene DUNNE
IS TEAMED FOR THE FIRST TIME WITH SPENCER TRACY in THIS UNUSUAL LOVE STORY. MISS DUNNE WAS BORN in LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY.

News from the South Pacific explained to Spencer Tracy the title of his new picture, "A Guy Named Joe," which is playing its second week at Loew's Valentine Theater. An Air Force officer wrote the star telling him that all pilots are called "Joe." It was General Chennault, now commanding officer of U. S. forces in China who coined the phrase. Addressing a group of young pilots, he said, "When I'm in a cockpit, I'm just a guy named Joe."

SPORTS

Reports On Fish Study

John Z. Pelton, fish management agent in District No. 7, has recently completed a report on a fish study made by the Ohio Division of Conservation and Natural Resources in the Scioto river. The object was to find out the movement of fish, what kind and sizes are present throughout the year and in what numbers they occur. Along with this the study included the best method to use in catching fish, turbidity of the river throughout the year, etc.

In answer to the question, "Do fish go upstream in the spring and downstream in the fall?" the Pelton report says: "We found a downstream movement in the fall. Ninety fish were caught in late August and 169 taken in September. The bulk consisted of the following species: golden mullet, short redhorse sucker, gizzard shad, river carp sucker, white nose sucker and quillback. These species seem to come down in abundance in the order given. Throughout the winter months our total catch was 975 although we caught a nice variety of species. The fish seemed to move locally and remain as residents of certain areas of the stream. In the spring, starting with March, there was a definite upstream movement of golden mullet, shorthead redhorse sucker, channel catfish, river carp sucker, white nose sucker and spotted bass. These fish did not come upstream in any definite order, such as one species preceding another."

The report reveals many interesting facts, based upon tests made in the Scioto below Columbus. Among these is Mr. Pelton's statement that the large population of coarse fish is not being fully utilized by fishermen, even though trotline fishing in lower reaches of the Scioto is quite prevalent.

This And That In Ohio Fishing

The 1943 fishing licenses expire on February 29 . . . new 1944 licenses have been shipped to license dealers ready for sale to Ohio anglers . . . the Outdoor Writers' Association of America meeting is being held in Columbus this week, following the annual sessions of the League of Ohio Sportsmen and the Ohio Forestry Association . . . Dr. T. H. Langlois, chief of the Fish Management Section of the Ohio Division of Conservation and Natural Resources has been chosen as chairman of the technical sessions of the National Wild life Federation meeting which will be held in Chicago this spring . . . Governor John W. Bricker has reappointed Dr. Ben Talbut of Toledo as a member of the Ohio Conservation and Natural Resources Commission . . . don't overlook the fact that food bearing and cover tree units may be had free of charge for planting on waste and eroded spots on your farm by writing to the Ohio Division of Conservation, 1106 State Office Building, Columbus, or by applying to your county game protector . . . do it now while the supply lasts . . . When a bill was introduced in 1857 to protect passenger pigeons, a committee of the Ohio Senate reported: "The passenger pigeon needs no protection, and no ordinary destruction can lessen them, or be missed from the myriads that are yearly produced" . . . and now there are none in Ohio or elsewhere, for that matter . . . seeds have been procured for the annual wildlife food patch planting program of the Ohio Division of Conservation and Natural Resources . . . snow came in time to aid in the pheasant trapping program, game management officials report.

Farm Employment Up

WASHINGTON (FP) — Farm employment totaled 8,383,000 persons on Feb. 1, up about 180,000 from a month earlier, to a point just a trifle higher than a year ago, the Agriculture Department reported. Over half of the January increase in persons working on farms occured in the hired labor category. About 100,000 additional hired hands were taken on during the month.

Commutators Win Three

By Ed Mundy

Standard League

Standard Commutator picked up three games over Toledo Pressed Steel to retain first spot by a one-game margin over National Supply, when the latter was only able to take two from A. C. Klopping.

The race for first spot was nip and tuck between these two clubs all season. Firs' one then the other taking the lead, with never more than three games separating them. The boys are looking forward to the meeting of these two clubs, the last week of the schedule, to decide the championship unless, of course, one of them slips in the meantime.

DeVilbiss dropped the first game to Gordon Bumper, but came back strong, taking the next two, the climax being a big 931 game.

Bingham Stamping assured themselves third spot in this race by winning two from Mather Spring. Walt Augustyniak had a big 244 game in his series, while Stan Mackcinski helped his average with 213 and 219 games.

Speaking of averages, Ollie Wisniewski and Cap Wekwert are fighting it out in who's to lead the league in high average, with only a pin separating the two.

The standing:

Tol. Press. Steel	854	746	833
St. Commt.	895	828	914
DeVilbiss	692	799	931
Gordon Bumper	731	743	776
Bingham Stp....	910	807	923
Mather Spr.....	811	815	821
Nat. Sup.....	760	845	910
A. C. Klop.....	808	809	858

Chas. Snoad, 220; Joe Puhe, 211; Jim Foltz, 200; Stan Macheinski, 213, 219; Ollie Wisniewski, 207; Walt Augustyniak, 244.

All-Star League

Willys-Overland really went to town last night, shooting a big 3068 series with every man bagging over 600. They started with 1049, came back with a 1040 and finished with a 979. These, of course, were good for three wins over Surface Combustion.

This gives Willys a 13-game lead with only 12 weeks to roll, and the Local 12 bowling championship for the third consecutive year.

Spicer practically sewed up the second spot by taking two from Kent Owens with a 12-game lead over Champion, who were losing two to Acklin Stamping.

National Supply strengthened their fifth spot position by taking three from DeVilbiss. Fourth spot position, which is held by Surface Combustion, became wide open when the Surface boys dropped three to W.-O., with only three games separating them from the sixth-place Acklin club.

Acklin Stp.....	891	911	973
Champ. S. P....	921	895	967
Nat. Sup.....	892	886	911
DeVilbiss	834	865	790
K. Owens.....	826	881	857
Spicer	847	863	922
Surf. Comb.....	834	806	838
Willys Over.....1049		1040	979

Leo Strugheic, 239 (618); Joe Kurdys, 223 (610); Cap Piojda, 235 (627); Ed Mandy, 202, 243 (610); Jack Lusher, 242 (621); Larry Lefevre, 215; Bud Packolski, 600; Chas. Urbanski, 613; John Brug, 222; Del Bordner, 203, 201; J. Kilmer, 200, 210; J. Sanders, 212, 204; T. Hill, 202; H. Covey, 212.

Michigan Reports Game Surplus

LANSING, Feb. 22.—According to one satisfied hunter there will be plenty of game and fish for returning servicemen who are looking forward to such sport. He has written to the conservation department that in his section of Allegan county pheasant hunting was good and a big seed stock is left; rabbits, squirrels and ducks are plentiful and coon is exceptionally good, he reports. He thinks minks are about the same in number while there seem to be more weasels than usual and foxes are getting thick. Possums, on the other hand, seem to be decreasing.

This sportsman is also satisfied with the time of open seasons and the regulations on places game may be taken.

Only cloud on this sunny picture is that his dog got killed.

VICTORY'S SONS

WHILE flying over the Mediterranean in a light naval bomber, Elton Meyer, gunner, suddenly called his pilot's attention to two submarines lying fully surfaced about five miles astern. Lt. (j.g.) Robert Stearns immediately turned about. As they approached they could see that one U-boat was much larger than the other, and that the big one was evidently refueling the smaller.

As Lt. Stearns began his bombing run, the small sub quickly dove, but the other made no attempt to go under. It raced for a nearby cloud bank, meanwhile firing its anti-aircraft guns.

Undeterred, Lt. Stearns pointed his Avenger downward and released his bombs. They straddled the submarine. One man was blown high in the air. A moment later smoke poured from the conning tower, as the undersea craft drifted in a slow semi-circle. Then, within a minute after the attack, it sank, stern first, going down in a vertical position.

Lakes Show Winter Drop

LANSING, Feb. 23.—During the mid-December to mid-January period, ground water levels showed for the first time the effect of the winter drought by dropping .39 feet, the greatest decline for this period in nine years, the conservation department's geological survey has reported.

In this period water levels dropped .25 feet more than any previous December-January decline and were .22 feet lower than the record January high stage of 1942.

January was the first month since the all-month record high of June, 1943, when ground water levels failed to set a record high stage for the month.

Great Lakes levels also showed apaprent effects of the drought in January, according to United States Lake Survey figures. The decline in the level of Lake Superior was .42 feet, not as great a decline as last year but more of a drop than the average of .25 feet. Lakes Michigan and Huron dropped .28 feet as compared with a gain of .99 feet in 1943. Lakes St. Clair, Erie and Ontario also showed a greater decline in January than for the same period last year.

Federal Judges Weigh Bridges Case

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 19. (FP)—The case of Pres. Harry Bridges of International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union (CIO) awaits the decision of five judges of the U. S. circuit court of appeals, who heard his appeal from a deportation order.

Biddle's special assistant, Edward C. Jennings, who flew here from Washington, argued that congress had given the attorney general the right to deport anybody for anything and that he can make or break his own rules as he pleases.

Whatever the decision of the court, the case will probably be carried to the U. S. supreme court.

Want Registration Booths In War Plants

ST. LOUIS (FP)—To make it easier for workers to register, the political action committee of the Greater St. Louis CIO Council asked the city and county boards of election commissioners to put registration booths in all the major war plants. Committee Chairman Julius Klyman said that 50 per cent of the workers are not registered.

WMC Outlines Job Program For Veterans

WASHINGTON (FP) — Specific orders on handling war veterans' employment problems are being given all U. S. employment service employes, War Manpower Commissioner Paul V. McNutt said Feb. 15.

His announcement came on the heels of an agreement between WMC and selective service under which WMC assumes entire responsibility for placing the returning veterans in new jobs. Selective service will make the veterans' reemployment in his old job its special responsibility but WMC is to take over if the veteran is not interested in going back to his former employer.

In addition, McNutt said, each office will have, as in the past, its special veterans employment division representative and, if the load is sufficiently heavy, other experts with specialized experience in handling veterans employment problems.

Senate Committee Approves UNRRA Outlay

WASHINGTON (FP) — The house - approved $1,350,000,000 appropriation for U. S. participation in the United Nations Relief & Rehabilitation Administration was approved 16-1 by the senate foreign relations committee.

Sole dissenting vote was cast by Guy M. Gillette (D. Ia.), who said he objected to making formal commitments to help relieve desolated areas. The bill is expected to pass the senate within a few days.

Co-ops Celebrate Centennial

MADISON, Wis., (FP)—Centenial of the cooperative movement will be observed in Wisconsin March 20-25 by proclamation of Acting Gov. Walter S. Goodland. A group of weavers in Rochdale, England, organized the first co-op in 1844.

Playing Politics

By "Whitey" Bauer

Today the allied powers of the world are engaged in the greatest game of politics that has ever been conceived by any man or group of men.

While the infantry, air and naval forces of the world sacrifice their lives daily for the preservation of the so-called principles of Democracy, the diplomats and politicians spend their time making pawns of the liberated countries and their peoples.

Despite the fact that the best way to handle the situations prevalent in the freed countries has not been found, allied militarists who would feather their own future political bed continue on the sordid road to ill will. These leaders are procuring for themselves and the peoples they represent a reputation of underhandedness and distrust that will in the post-war world of international transaction cause the smaller countries to look upon us with a feeling of fear and suspicion.

Soviet Autonomy

The most eviddent of these attempts are those made by Soviet Russia. The giving of autonomy to the 16 Russian republics seems only to have been done for the purpose of gaining more votes in the peace conference, and for the purpose of partitioning Poland (despite the fact that Stalin said he had no imperialistic intentions in this war).

Regardless what we Americans think of the eventual peace, we must remember this fact concerning forming of peace plans and the dictation of terms to the defeated ais powers. The political and economic interest of the money interests in the two capitalistic countries and the same interests of the state in the two other major allies will demand satisfaction, each in their own particular way.

Postwar Plans

England will demand the preservation of her imperialistic high handedness in countries such as India and Egypt, with the hope of extending that imperialism to other smaller countries which have been liberated from axis domination.

The United States will attempt to continue her exploitation of the natural resources of other countries besides the other Americas.

Russia wil definitely renew its international revolution and attempt to gain control of more European countries for the purpose of furthering this revolution.

China, because of her limited political and economic power will be forced to take a back seat to the other major powers. Hers will necessarily be a passive participation in the peace plan of the allies, and as long as she does not tread on the toes of the three other major powers she will be given a reasonable amount of authority in the far east, probably with the promise of military help in the event that it may be necessary.

Thus we see that the war aims of the allied powers are based upon a definite fear in each of these countries. England fears that her imperialistic hold on her colonies may be jeopardized. This country fears that the attempted economic strangle hold that her capital interest have on smaller countries may be broken. Russia fears that the furtherance of her international revolution will be stopped unless she gains sufficient hold on the educational and political divisions of the states about her.

These fears are the primary reasons for the political game of chess that has been going on since the beginning of the war. The diplomats of all the allied powers are playing their cards close to their vests, each hoping that one of the others will tip his hand first. At the present time Russia seems to be holding the pat hand, but we wonder, knowing the English methods as we do, if there isn't an ace hidden up somebody's sleeve.

National Supply

CREDIT UNION

We are proud to announce the organization of a Federal Credit Union in the National Supply, which is ready to operate and bring its members the same benefits which those in many other plants of Local 12 have enjoyed for the past several years.

Purpose of the credit union is to encourage thrift. Moreover, it gives its members the opportunity to borrow money at a much lower rate of interest than they can secure it from a finance company.

Members of the board of directors are Delbert Sager, president; Dale Brown, vice president; Vern Emminger, treasurer; Charles Kraizinski, clerk; Edward Swan, educational chairman; Leo Allen, Ray Marmon and Robert Johns, supervisory committee; Robert Smith, John Benner and Robert Porter, credit committee.

AROUND THE SHOP

Congratulations to Bob Furry, who is the proud father of a seven pound baby boy. Also congratulations to Mrs. Furry.

Why is it that the boss "Cassinova" Schmeling doesn't hardly speak to any of his crew on the night force? Could it have anything to do with a valentine which was sent?

We are all glad to see Bert Strayer back at work. He has fully recovered from his fractured leg and is ready to go again.

Harry Henderson has been overtaken by paternity. He is the boastful parent of a 9½ pound baby girl. Naturally, we think that the major share of credit should go to Mrs. Henderson, and we give it to her along with our best wishes for her and the little one.

Eddie Dressel, Jr., who was home recently on furlough, paid a visit to the shop. He is stationed at Great Lakes and is an apprentice seaman, second class.

In a vote to decide who was the fastest, Willie Davis or Homer Wilgus, the latter collected but one vote while Willie came up with 40. Now they are saying that Homer voted for himself. We don't know if it was a secret ballot or not.

Remember the 1875 model straw hat in Dept. 40? Now we are trying to figure out if it's a new timekeeper or the same straw hat.

Eddie Collins was operated on yesterday at Robinwood hospital. Wait until a few days go by, until he is feeling better, and then stop in and see this swell guy who will enjoy your company a lot.

One of the boys in Dept. 38, one we believed would never do it, finally broke down and invested in a new hammer.

For all his experience with dogs, Bill Reeves should be able to tell the difference in weight between a blood hound and an English toy terrier. But he can't.

One of the good brothers had Johnny DeWitt going around in circles with the questions he was asking. Result: Johnny is now busy studying up.

If the two brothers in the flat scrapers were lumberjacks they would have caulk marks on their faces.

Oppose Finns In Labor Conference

NEWARK, N. J. (FP)—Finnish-American labor expressed opposition to Finland's participation in the International Labor Office conference in Philadelphia opening April 20.

Income Taxes and The Wage Earner

By David A. Guberman

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the sixth and last of a series of articles written for the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL by Attorney David A. Guberman, associated with the law office of Edward Lamb. In view of the complex form used in reporting this year's taxes, we urge you to clip and save these articles.

Basically, members of the armed services have the same tax problems as civilians. But they get special relief.

A member of the armed services outside the United States or on sea duty need not file a return or make a payment until the 15th day of the fourth month after having returned to the United States. One stationed in the United States must file a return on or before March 15, 1944. Anyone in either class whose ability to pay has been impaired by reason of military service, may defer payment until six months after discharge from the service by attaching a letter to the return explaining therein the reason for the inability to pay.

In addition to the normal exemption of $500 for a single person or $1200 for a married person or head of a family, members of the armed services may exclude all income from the service up to $1500 per year. Up to the first $1500 of income per year, from the service need not be reported.

Forgiven by Death

If a person dies in service, regardless of cause, all tax for the year in which the death occurs is forgiven. Any part already paid is refundable to the estate and a claim for it should be made. In addition any unpail tax for prior years is forgiven. But taxes for prior years already paid are not refundable.

Members of the armed services are entitled to the same deductions as are civilians. The cost of uniforms is not deductable, but that of special items such as Sam Browne belts, epaulets, campaign bars, etc., is.

No part of the allotment made to a wife or other dependent is income to the recipient and need not be reported by the person receiving it. However, that portion taken from the pay of the person in service is income to that person.

It is not known yet whether members of the armed services will have to file an estimated return for 1944 or pay the estimated tax.

Pay "Forgiven" Tax

People in the armed services must pay the unforgiven portion of the 1942 tax, just as do civilians. However, in figuring this tax, each member of the service may and should compute the 1942 return. For all earned income may be excluded in the recomputation. This means all income received from personal services rendered. Thus, any person whose sole income in 1942, in civilian life, was from personal services, will have the 1942 tax forgiven and be entitled to a refund of any portion already paid, if a return is filed showing and claiming the refund. Wives of soldiers should see to it that the husband's 1942 return is recomputed and the refund is claimed.

By law, all civilian income in 1942 up to $3000, regardless of source, is considered as earned income for members of the armed services.

Owes No Taxes

All this means that (1) any single person now in service who earned $3000 or less in 1942, may owe no 1942 tax and may be entitled to a refund, (2) any married person or head of a family now in service who earned $4200 or less in 1942, may owe no 1942 tax and may be entitled to a refund, (3) no tax may be owed on 1943 income from the armed services up to $2000 for single persons or up to $2700 for married persons or head of a family.

Thus it can be said safely that wage earners now in service, with few exceptions, will owe neither a 1942 or 1943 tax. Therefore, working wives of service men in making a return for 1943 should claim the entire family exemption of $1200.

The Acklinite

by Lewis Mattox

MEETING

The meeting of the Acklin Unit scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 27, will be an important one. All should make a sincere endeavor to attend this meeting, which begins promptly at 2:00 p.m. at Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St.

THANKS

Acklin Unit owes a vote of thanks to the following people who have made a definite contribution to the organization for the past year: Henry Kazella, James Zawodny and Anna Szkalski, who served on the executive committee for the past year.

CALLED

We are losing some more of our boys to the armed services. We hate to lose the boys but we realize that this is war and that it takes men to win it. Following are leaving soon: Ray Mi[illegible] Ray Plessner and Tony Lewand. We wish our boys the best of luck and hope they and the rest of our brothers will soon be back with us.

Frank Willis has been appointed to serve on the welfare committee. He will give the committee a lot of help and should aid in making it perform its functions.

Bill Otting is now steward on the night shift.

The Red Cross drive which will open soon is a worthwhile cause, one to which we can contribute our bit secure in the knowledge that the money will be well spent. Give all you can.

Thelma Koperski, who has been ill, was missed by our gang and we are really pleased to see her back on the job.

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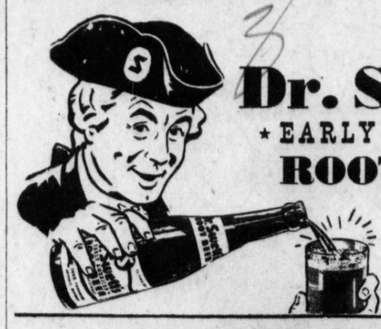
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